

INSIDE

NEWS



Inside this little house in Leetsdale are years of dreams that the owners now get to share with perfect strangers. See the Smiths' story on Page 13.

AROUND TOWN

Turn to Page 33 to see how the women of the Village Garden Club celebrated the holidays. The tea was held at Elsie Keely's home.

SPORTS



Quaker Valley (14-1) turns the tables on Sewickley Academy with an 83-61 victory. See Page 25.

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ONE ON ONE



SHAWNIKIA SMITH and Shawnte Olden read aloud an article about Martin Luther King Jr. with their tutor, Gladys Powers, at the Center for Hope after-school program. Photos by Rachel Weaver

Center for Hope focuses on basics

By Rachel Weaver

Staff writer

"You try this one," says Shawnikia Smith, 8, lifting her piece of chalk from the board to reveal an equation reading 53 multiplied by 700.

Her tutor, Gladys Powers, takes the chalk from her hand with a laugh that says: "I should have brought my calculator."

Every Thursday, Shawnikia and more than 20 kids ages 7- to 13-years-old meet with adult volunteers from Sewickley and its surrounding neighborhoods at Ambridge's Center for Hope to learn math, reading and life skills.

"We want these kids to grow up and learn who and what they are," says Carla Hill, center nurturing director.

The center, founded by members of Fellowship United Methodist Church, moved to its Merchant Street location last year. Every week, the building fills with children eager to meet with an adult who cares about them.

"These tutors are not just mentors. Many of them are like parent figures to these kids," says

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NICOLE KAY practices math and reading on a center computer.

IN THE ARTS

Sweetwater, OSPOC in rent debate

By Rachel Weaver

Staff writer

Sweetwater Center for the Arts has not yet experienced a projected rent increase for 2005 despite its landlord's efforts to more than double its yearly bill.

Last September, board members announced a planned rent increase for the center from \$36,000 to \$50,000 a year with costs including utilities exceeding \$80,000.

"We're still working on the rent issue," said Tom Potter, president of the Old Sewickley Post Office Corp., which owns the Sewickley Valley Cultural Center that houses Sweetwater and the Sewickley Valley Historical Society (SVHS).

"Right now OSPOC is subsidizing the center. That's not what we intended to do with the money we kept for fixing the air conditioning, the heating and the roof."

Potter said the art center's lease is one and one-half years past its expiration date.

OSPOC pays utilities for both Sweetwater and SVHS and the corporation recently paid \$6,000 to fix the building's air conditioning. Potter said now the corporation is "financially drained."

Dr. Joseph Correa, president of Sweetwater's board of directors, described the problem as a difference in interpretation of the lease.

"OSPOC sees Sweetwater as a tenant only," he said.

"We have investigated all of our files and documents and have come to the conclusion Sweetwater is a permanent tenant that has formed almost a partnership with OSPOC."

Correa said when OSPOC bought the building, Sweetwater

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AGENDA:

Aleppo: 3rd Monday, 7 p.m., 100 North Dr.; **Bell Acres:** 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., Big Sew. Creek Firehall;
Edgeworth: 3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Municipal Building,
 Beaver Road; **Glenfield:** 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Riverside
 Park;
Haysville: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., 34 South Ave.; **Leet:**
 2nd Monday, 7:30, Municipal Building;

Leetsdale: 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Municipal Building,
 Broad St.; **Osborne:** 3rd Tuesday, 7:30, Osborne
 Elementary;
Sewickley COW: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30; **Sewickley:** 3rd
 Monday, 7:30 p.m., both in Sewickley Borough Building;
Sewickley Heights: 3rd Monday, 4:30, Borough Hall;
Sewickley Hills: 1st Monday, 7:30, Fairhill Rec. Building;
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Center celebrates MLK Jr.

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Hill.

Robert and Hettie McGinnis of Sewickley have come to the center together every Thursday for the past three years.

"I feel this would be valuable to anybody," says Robert. "It's nice to help if you can."

Barbara McElhaney began tutoring when her pastor told her of a little girl in the program who said she wanted to die so someone would give her flowers. McElhaney began sending cards to the girl and coming to the center each week.

"So many things can happen when they are out in the world. These tutors are very much involved. Even if the kids are having a bad day and are a little mouthy, they come back every week," says Hill.

Powers, who started tutoring when a member of her church spoke about it, enjoys the one-on-one interaction with the children.

"They look forward to having adults around," she says.

Beyond math and reading lessons, children learn Christian Life Skills including values, cooperation and self-esteem.

Students practice academics in the center's computer lab.

Eevontae Watson, 11, likes the program because he gets to learn math on the computer, which he says is "fun sometimes, but not all the time."

Center participants also get to interact with their tutors outside the classroom. Last year, they took program kids to visit the Steelers' football camp, to a Pirates' baseball game, to the Heartwood Acres Christmas lights display and to a performance of the "Nutcracker."

"I doubt seriously any of them would have gotten the chance to do these things otherwise," says Hill.

Enriching lives

Center for Hope was founded in 2001 by the Rev. Dr. Fred Smith; his wife, Emma; Carla and her husband, Louis; and Margaret Anderson with the vision of "offering opportunity to people to be enriched and empowered in their daily lives because of the love of Christ."

"People come here because they are looking to put a Band-Aid on one part of their lives,

but we like to tell about all the options they have available to them," says Louis, the building's manager and recipient of the Steelers' annual Community Quarterback Award for volunteerism.

"We intend to give a hand up rather than a hand out."

In addition to the tutoring program, the center offers GED classes, English as a Second Language courses, vocational rehabilitation services and adult literacy courses, all free to the community.

The center also hosts the WIC (Women, Infants and Children) program and the Ambridge Food Pantry.

Through the MacIntosh Users Group, the center provides refurbished computers to the public for \$5 after a brief orientation.

Celebrating community

Martin Luther King Jr. said he dreamed of a community "where all our gifts and resources are held not for ourselves alone but as instruments of service for the rest of humanity."

The center is helping bring the local community closer to King's vision.

This Friday-Monday, the center is celebrating King's "Beloved Community" and the progress that has been made to make his dream a reality.

"It is easy to point all the ways we fall short of the dream of the Beloved Community, but this weekend we will celebrate the ways we have fulfilled our shared destiny," writes the Rev. Dr. Fred Smith Jr. in a letter to area residents last week.

Proceeds will pay for utilities and upkeep of the center.

The celebration will be held at its site at 233 Merchant St., Ambridge, Jan. 14-17.

Events include a basketball tournament on Friday, a youth workshop on Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon, an open house from noon to 2 p.m., and a fellowship dinner dance at 5 p.m. On Sunday, an interfaith service will be held from 6-8 p.m.

A Prayer Breakfast is planned for Monday.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

For more information, call the center at 724-266-4974.

ONE ON ONE

KIDS FOR A CAUSE

Helping others is just a walk in the park for students

By Sarah Mills

Herald contributor

Kids helping kids. On Sunday, Jan. 9, eight Edgeworth Elementary School students, grades 3-5, along with a handful of parents and a friendly dog, set up a table in Way Park to do just that.

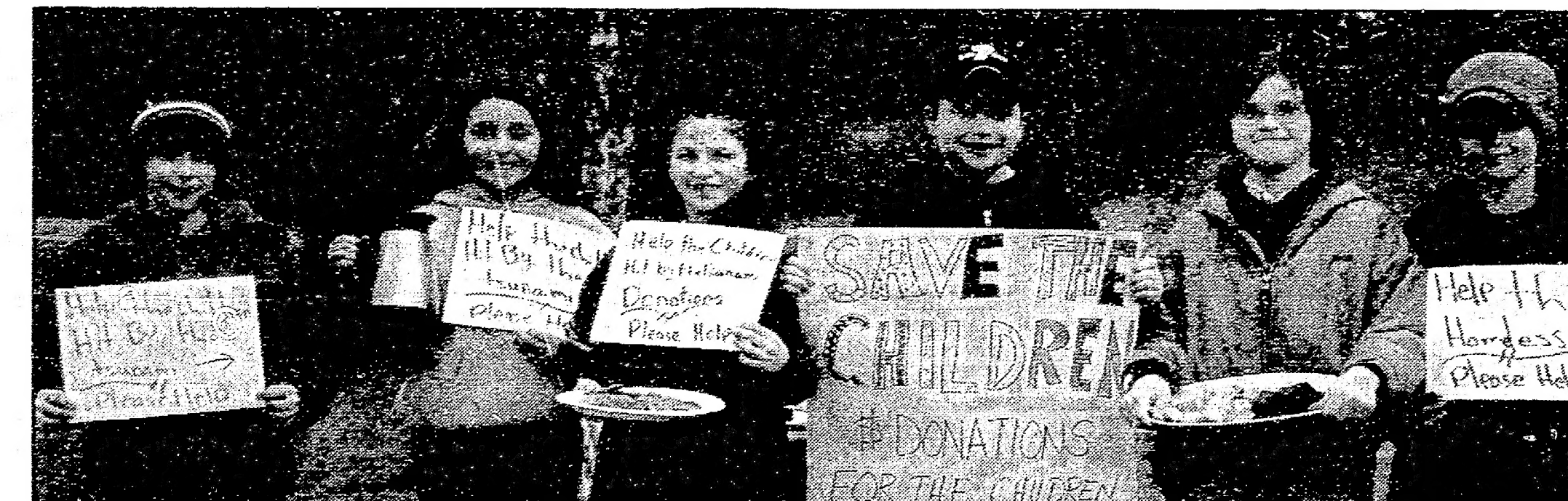
"They've all been watching the tsunami coverage a lot on the news," said Kathy Powell, mother of Garrett Powell, one of the philanthropic Edgeworth students.

Garrett Powell and friends, Jacob Puyana, Pilar Puyana, Isabelle Rougier, Poy Rougier, Benjamin Cooper, Blair Healey and Jonah Wraith spent the afternoon standing at the tip of the triangle of Way Park, waving their signs and asking for donations for their cause.

The group, armed with homemade signs, cookies, brownies and hot chocolate, hoped to raise money to send to the children and orphanages harmed by the tsunami and its aftermath.

"They were hoping to make \$100, and they're way over that," said Kathy Powell.

"People have been very generous,



THESE EDGEWORTH children spent a Sunday in Way Park, helping to raise funds for tsunami victims. Generous passersby contributed \$331.44 to Save the Children, a relief organization.

rolling down their windows and tossing out money. We've gotten everything from 25 cents to \$20 bills."

The money will go to the charity organization Save the Children. At Save the Children, 91 percent of each dollar goes directly to the cause — important to the Edgeworth group, who wanted to help as many children as possible.

"I was just watching the news," said

Garrett Powell, "and I feel bad for kids who have lost their homes and schools and families."

As of 1:45 p.m., after only an hour and one-half, the group had made \$189 collected from more than 50 passersby donate.

By 3 p.m., the children had raised a total of \$331.44. A check will be sent off this week to the relief organization.

When asked why they gave up their

Sunday afternoon to stand out in the cold and raise money for someone else, instead of staying home and watching TV, Jacob Pilar shrugged.

"I hope if it happened here, people would do the same for us," he said.

The group tentatively plans to engage in this fund-raising effort again next Sunday afternoon.

Look for them at Way Park in the center of Edgeworth.

RIISING WATERS

Heavy rains bring flooding worries to residents of region

By Rachel Weaver

Staff writer

Area residents affected by September's flood found themselves preparing for a repeat of their worst nightmares last week.

As approximately three inches of rain fell throughout the county, people watched as creeks threatened to overflow, mud fell into roads and catch basins began to fill.

But to their relief, last week's rain did not elicit a repeat performance of the floods that left many homes damaged.

"We were pretty lucky," said Anna Lee Oswald, borough manager of Leet Township where Big Sewickley Creek overflowed last fall causing six feet of water to fill residents' basements.

"We had no basement flooding. The water did come up close and went into some backyards though."

Main Street in the township closed early Thursday evening after a PennDOT catch basin filled and water ran over a hillside destroying the foundation of a resident's porch.

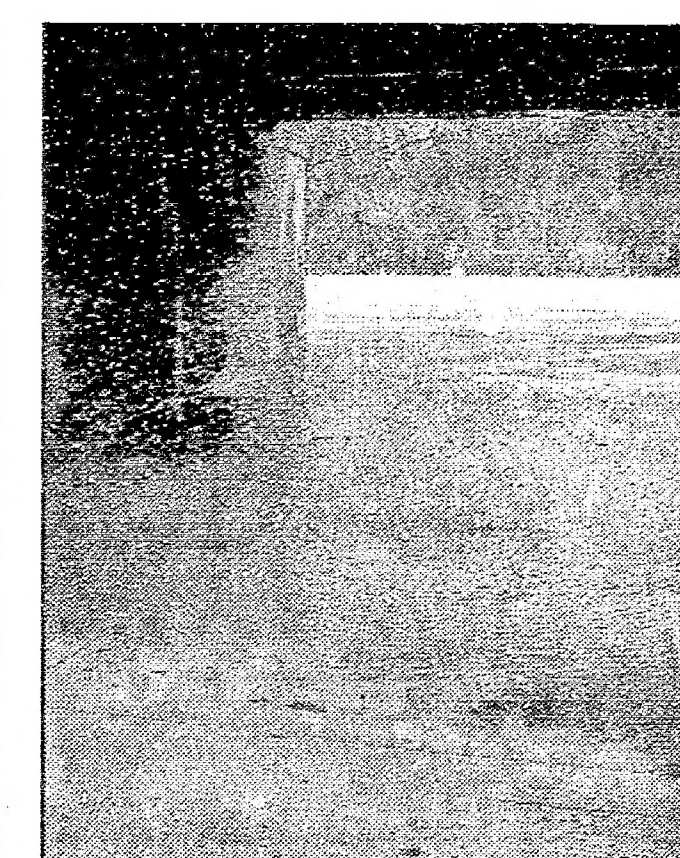
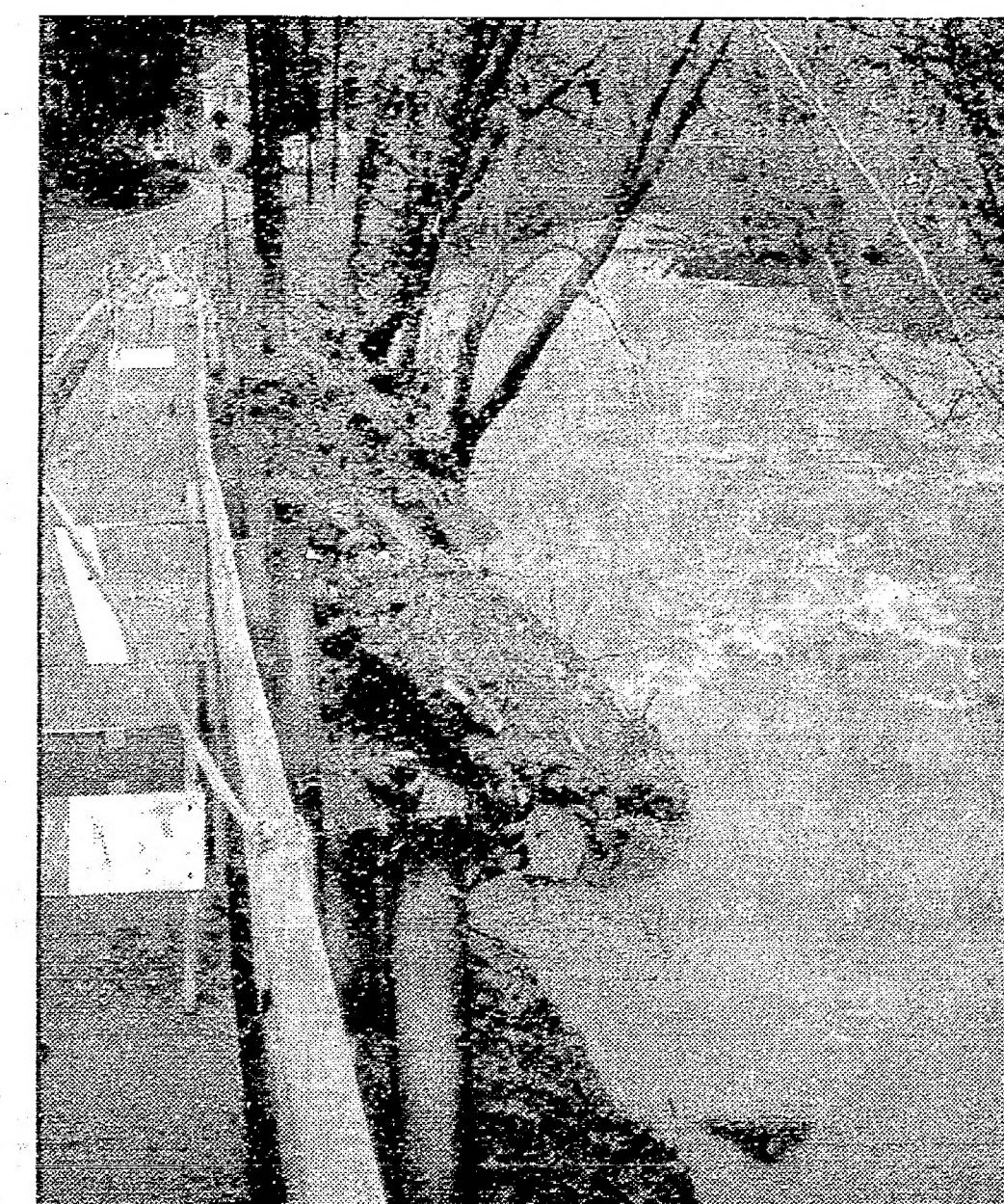
PennDOT spent the night pumping out the basin and the road reopened Friday morning.

For most Leet residents, the rain's end was met with a sigh of relief.

"People haven't cleaned up from the last one or now they have all new appliances and heaters," said Oswald.

PennDOT workers were busy in other parts of the area with a landslide of mud and rocks leaving the northbound lanes of Ohio River Boulevard closed at the I-79 ramps for several hours on Thursday evening, causing delays for homebound motorists.

In Bell Acres, Little Sewickley Creek Road also was closed for a time.



BIG SEWICKLEY Creek (at left) was swollen by last week's rainfall as it sent its waters into the Ohio River and into the boat launch near Chadwick Street.

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Board says center to stay in Sewickley

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contributed "a fair amount" to its purchase, and grant applications submitted to the Allegheny Regional Asset District (RAD) at the time acknowledged the two as partners.

Both boards have formed two-person committees to negotiate the projected increase.

"This is all an attempt to work out a solution without causing too much animosity in the community," said Correa.

Correa, professor of strategic management at Robert Morris University, joined the Sweetwater board last summer to help the center recover from the 2003-04 fiscal year, which left it \$5,000 over budget.

Correa added 12 new board members to the existing 14 in August, several of whom have taken on leadership roles on board committees.

The fund-raising committee held a benefit last fall in addition to the center's annual Holiday Mart.

Teena Verrico, Sweetwater

IN THE ARTS

executive director and business manager, said both events were successful and another large fund-raiser is planned for this fall.

Verrico said the most changes over the past four months at Sweetwater occurred in educational programming, with the addition of several classes, including belly dancing and low-carb cooking.

The center also now offers paired classes when parents can attend a program while children are learning a few rooms away, private group workshops, preschool dance, Friday night programs and private art lessons.

"We listened to our current members and people in the community to find out what they wanted," said Verrico.

While the not-for-profit organization is eligible for grant funding, the building owner is responsible for obtaining it, a process that Correa said has become difficult.

In 2002, RAD granted the art

center \$16,000 to make the facility handicapped accessible. The Sweetwater board gave OSPOC the money, but Correa said the grant was lost when the corporation did not follow through with the appropriate steps.

"Grant agencies remember that," he said.

Potter said a rent increase can be avoided by expanding SVHS, which rents a smaller space in the building and incurred a rent jump this year from \$600 to \$900 a month.

But some Sweetwater classes already are being taught out of Robert Morris University and Sweetwater is working on additional joint programming with the Sewickley Community Center, Quaker Valley School District and the Sewickley Valley YMCA.

"If we lose space, we cannot exist here," said Correa.

Correa said Sweetwater board members are not looking for another location for the art center.

"It would be a tremendous loss for the community. This is our home and we are not leaving."

ROAD WORK

I-79 closures

Starting Monday, Jan. 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, the

right lane and shoulder area of I-79 northbound in Ohio Township will be closed.

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SEWICKLEY

Sewickley borough collects 700 tons of leaves for recycling

By Rachel Weaver

Staff writer

Sewickley and Leetsdale residents are about to get what they were raking for.

Last fall, Sewickley borough crews collected 358 loads of leaves that residents piled in their front yards.

Each load weighed more than 4,000 pounds and now there are 742 tons of leaves waiting to be made into mulch at a composting facility in Leetsdale.

"We don't know exactly how much mulch this will make over the next year, but we're anxious to see. It's going to be quite a few cubic yards," said Kevin



which also takes leaves to the composting site.

"Before we were placing the leaves in fields. That's not really

Flannery, Sewickley Borough manager.

This year is the first Sewickley has a detailed leaf collection report as 2004 marked the beginning of a joint recycling program with Leetsdale Borough,



something you want to do," said Flannery.

Once the mulch is ready in the summer, the two boroughs will use it for municipal jobs.

When they finish, it will be available to the residents in the two boroughs, though it is not yet decided if it will be free.

Members of Leetsdale and Sewickley borough councils worked all year on the recycling agreement, which is common among eastern and central Pennsylvania communities.

The first phase of grant seeking resulted in \$250,000 to fund initial expenses for the facility, which is permitted by the state Department of Environmental Protection.

In the second phase, Flannery said borough officials are requesting \$140,000 for funds to "fix up" the site.

In other council news:

■ Council voted 6-3 in favor of advertising an ordinance establishing the Emergency and Municipal Services tax at \$52.

Flannery said the money is "an excellent source of funds for road projects" and that it will go toward the borough's \$17 million, 20-year road repair plan.

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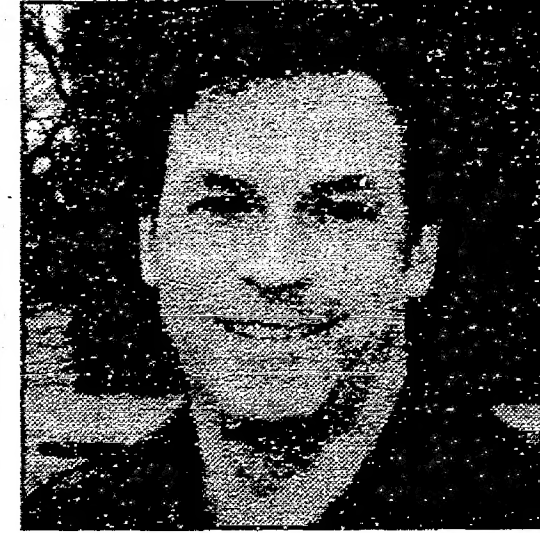
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"Yes. Once the U.S. saw what happened, they reacted quickly."



DAVID WENTWORTH
Ben Avon

"They should provide a lot more."

EDITORIAL

Southwest's gain may be US Airways' loss

By Vince Townley

Gateway Newspapers editor

Though it was made with much excitement and fanfare, last week's announcement that Southwest Airlines would begin offering flights in and out of Pittsburgh International Airport in May is a bit of a double-edged sword for the region.

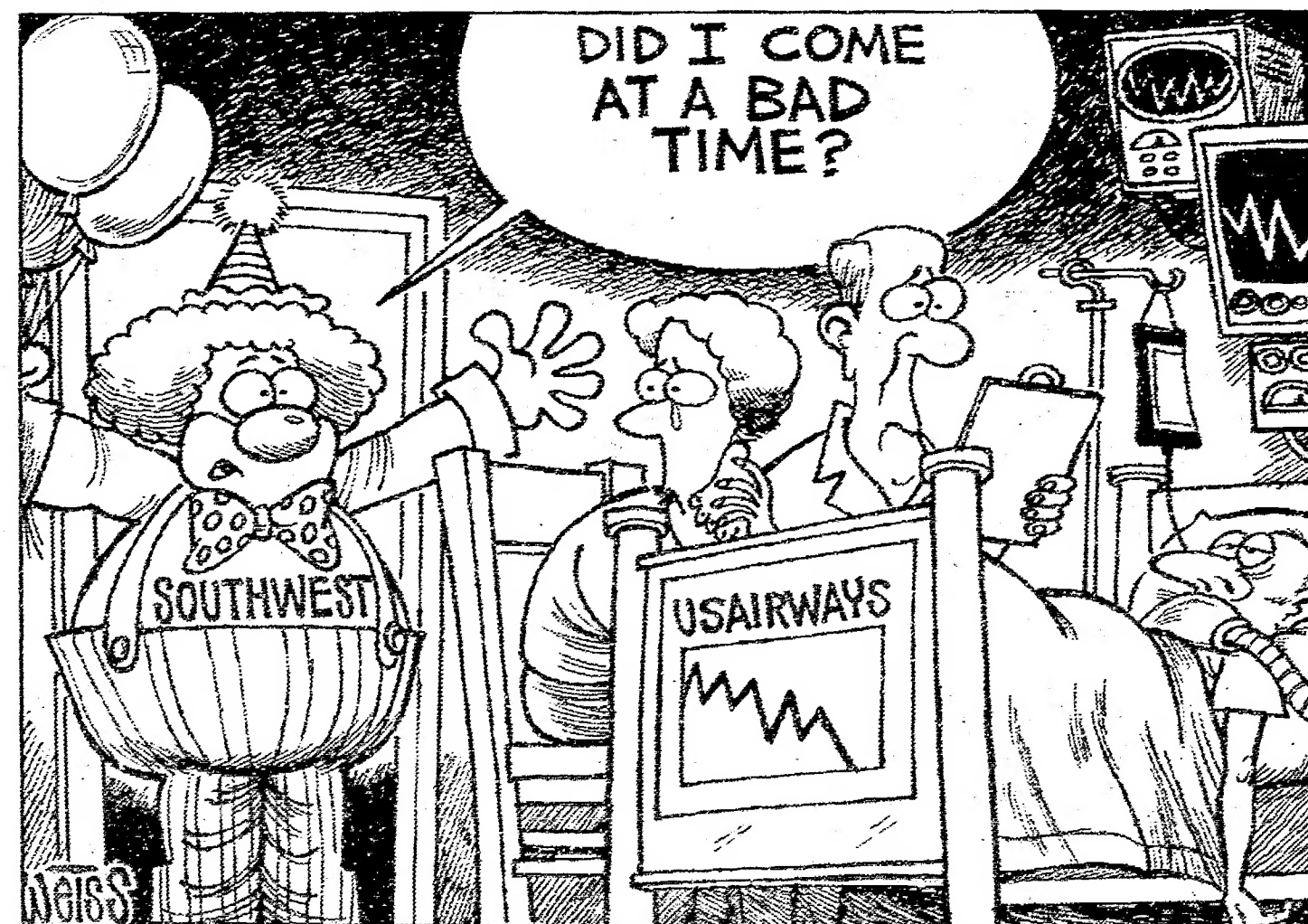
It is obviously good news for the airport itself, which has been trying for months to replace flights that have been cut by financially troubled US Airways.

Southwest is expected to begin by offering between 10 to 15 flights a day, and Kent George, executive director of the Allegheny County Airport Authority, has indicated that number could grow to as many as 40 or 50 within 12 to 18 months.

It bodes well for the future of the airport and, perhaps, the region as a whole. Historically, Southwest does not enter a new market unless it is almost 100 percent certain it will thrive.

But any excitement over last week's announcement must, like so many things in the region, be tempered by the ongoing financial troubles at US Airways, troubles that only seem to get worse with each passing day.

More than one airline industry expert, in fact, has predicted that Southwest's entry into the Pittsburgh market could very well be the death knell for US Airways, which, despite all the recent layoffs and service cuts,



remains one of the region's largest private employers.

And while Southwest may eventually make up for much of the service that will be lost if US Airways goes under, it will not come close to replacing the thousands of jobs that will be lost.

Those who have lived in western Pennsylvania all their lives know all too well how devastating it is for the region when that many jobs are lost in a relatively short period of time.

In a perfect world, Southwest Airlines

would come to Pittsburgh and succeed beyond anybody's wildest expectations, while at the same time US Airways would find a way to emerge from bankruptcy as a leaner, yet still substantial player in the airline industry and the regional economy.

But we, and certainly the employees of US Airways, have seen too much to expect anything close to a perfect world.

We welcome Southwest Airlines to the region, but hope they understand if our enthusiasm is a bit subdued.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



MEMBERS OF the QV Freshman Hockey Team presented a check for \$761 to Jennifer Sahlaney, QVMS teacher, for the McGuire home fundraiser. Captain Rob Balorsky, a ninth grader, made the presentation for the team. The young athletes solicited funds from the public outside Starbucks in Sewickley. More than \$4,270 and 260 gifts were given to the residents of the home.

Local generosity raises funds, spirits

Dear Editor:

Recently, the Quaker Valley Freshman Hockey Team collected donations in Sewickley over the holidays, to help with a school community project.

The QV Middle School had been collecting funds and gifts for the McGuire Home, in New Brighton. The McGuire Home is a school for severely disabled children.

We were overwhelmed by the generosity and support of the residents, storeowners and shoppers.

The volunteering of QV Freshman Hockey

Team and everyone's contribution to this cause helped the school exceed its goals.

I wanted to take this time to thank everyone who contributed and supported this worthy cause.

A special thanks goes out to Kevin Flannery, Sewickley Borough manager, for his support.

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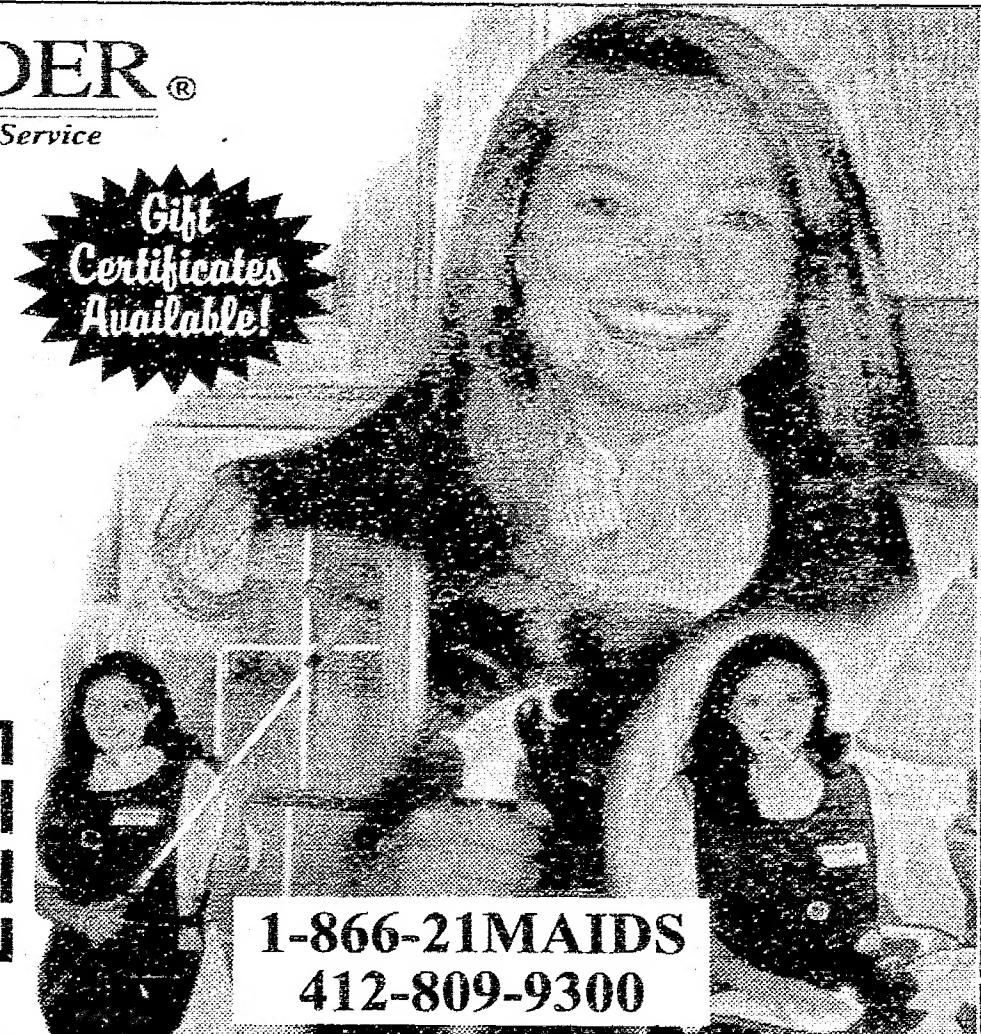
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AMPHIBIANS: Frogs, Salamanders, and Caecilians

by Burton Patrick

The study of amphibians is part of the academic field of herpetology, which also includes the study of reptiles. I have no idea why the two fields of study were lumped together, but they are. The amphibians consist of frogs, salamanders, and caecilians (worm like tropical amphibians that are not well understood). Amphibians descended from the lobe-finned fish. From there the rest of the vertebrates evolved into the amniotes of which all reptiles, birds, and mammals are a part.

What separates the amphibians from reptiles? The amniotic egg allowed reptiles to leave the water and venture onto land so as not to rely on an aquatic existence to live or reproduce. Amphibians are all tied to moisture in one way or another. Some are more reliant on water than others, but the important difference between reptiles and amphibians is that all amphibian eggs require near 100% humidity to mature. If you are ever asked, "What came first, the chicken or the egg?" You can without doubt say, "The egg was first." The amniotic egg as we know it started with the reptiles.

There are about 4500 species of amphibians, and they have evolved into different niches over the eons. Some can stay out of water for quite some time, but have to go back to water to reproduce, others are restricted to it, and some terrestrial amphibians just need to stay moist. The resistance to dehydration is due to the structure of their skin.

Cane toads and our common toads in Pennsylvania can be quite independent of water, but they do look for areas with moisture under rocks, logs, and vegetation to maintain moisture in their skin. The skin is a barrier that provides resistance to infection and is the first weapon they possess to protect their immune system. The American toad -- a common toad around our houses -- will lay eggs in temporary water. They hatch quickly and they finish metamorphosis quickly because the temporary water may dry up in days. Think about the beauty of this, by using

temporary water there are no established predators to predate on the tadpoles. Now compare that with the bullfrog, a frog that takes up to two years to metamorphose in the north. They have to have permanent water and permanent water has established predators.

Amphibians also have different food requirements, but the one thing they have in common is that they are all carnivores. Some eat anything that can move and they can fit in their mouth. The "Pac Man" frog or "Ornate Toad" and the Cane toad are two examples. The cane toad is a notorious carnivore. Farmers brought them into sugar cane fields to eat insects and they found that they eat almost everything. (This was not the plan, and these poorly planned introductions frequently result in backfires that affect our environment negatively.) Most amphibians, however, eat small insects and fish.

Most amphibians go through a metamorphosis from a totally aquatic existence to one where they breathe air. The change from egg, to zygote, and then to an adult amphibian is very interesting. Each time this happens the amphibians show us their phylogenetic past (their passage through time).

More and more amphibians are being captive bred. The Poison Dart Frog, PacMan Frog, and the Monkey-tree frog are just a couple of examples. As we captive breed more and more species we will learn much about their needs in the wild. These are important steps and many times the projects of your children become the seeds of their future. So, parents, keep your children busy with projects. It is the best way to learn.

Learning about amphibians is a great project for child and parent alike. If you get a frog or a tadpole as a pet, please take it seriously. A frog is not just a frog, it is a species that will have a particular habitat need. The fun of owning these animals is to study those needs and their behaviors.

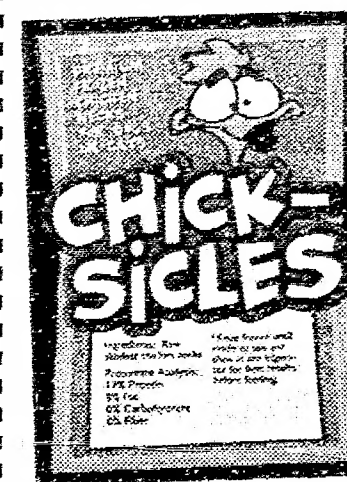
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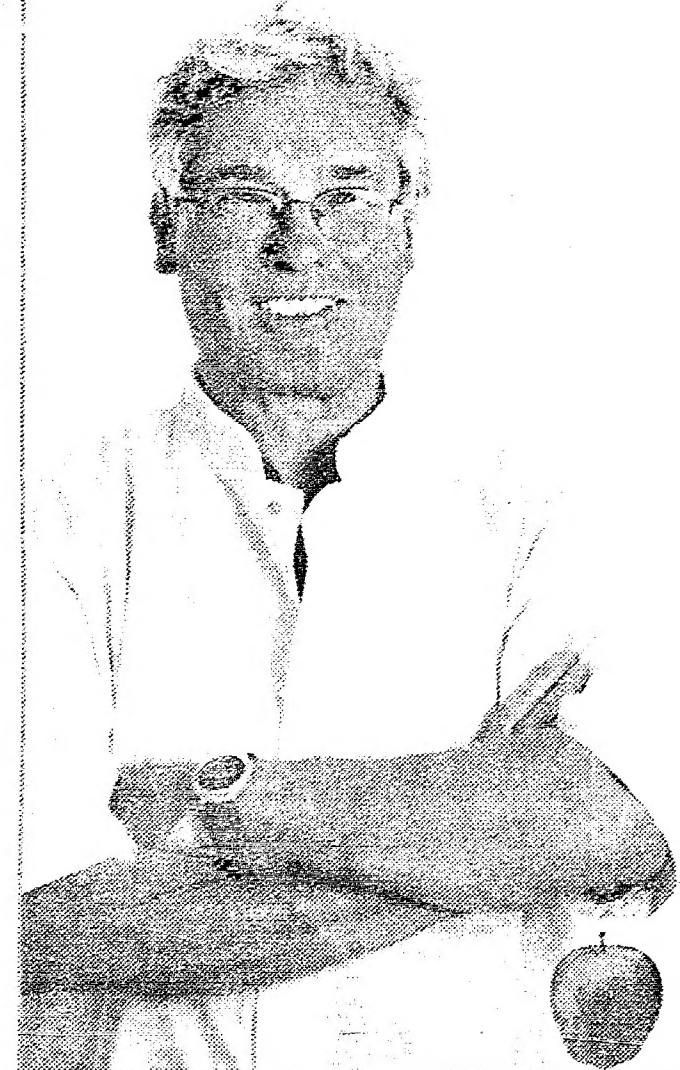
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Opposition based on safety

Dear Editor:

We've been hearing the same refrain from the lawyer of the Dixmont-Wal-Mart developers that our concerns have no substance.

No substance? If that were true than this huge retail complex would have been built by now!

It's been three years and still no Wal-Mart! Clearly, there must be some substantive problems holding it up.

(For the record, this project is not just a Wal-Mart. It includes a strip mall, gas station and other land parcels waiting to be developed.)

Here is some of what the experts hired by Communities First! say is wrong with this project:

■ Poor protection against flooding on Route 65 and in the town of Glenfield — already a

perennial problem.

■ Poor protection against earth and rock slides, already a problem as evidenced by the Jan. 4 mudslide on Toms Run.

And the Dixmont cliff over Route 65 is far too close for safety.

■ Huge increases in traffic on Route 65 and Camp Horne Road.

Every time you drive on Route 65, think of what it would be like with 75 percent more traffic!

■ Then think about all the cars that will cut through our neighborhood streets to avoid Route 65.

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Steve Zingerman,
Mayor of Glenfield,
Founding member of
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Union Aid will continue into the 107th year of our mission to aid our neighbors in need.

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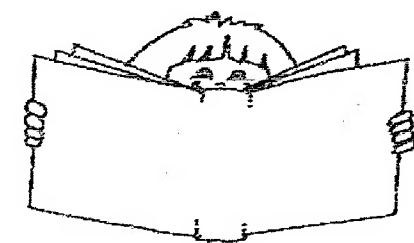
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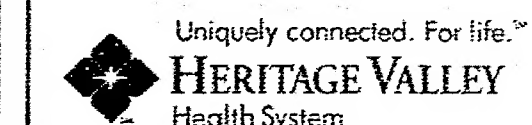
As the year ended, Standard & Poor's Rating Services upgraded its rating outlook for Heritage Valley Health System, from negative to stable, mainly based on operational improvements achieved over the past four fiscal years.

At the same time, Standard & Poor's affirmed its 'AA-' underlying rating on Heritage Valley's bonds, reflecting an extremely solid market position, improved cash flow, operating income, and a strong balance sheet.

The bonds are used to fund ongoing capital projects.

Standard and Poor's said the upgrade reflects a number of ongoing initiatives that have resulted in an improved operating margin, a low debt burden and a strong balance sheet.

In addition, Heritage Valley has a 59 percent market share



Back Pain

(December 29, 2004) - Back pain is a common ailment that can occur anywhere from the neck down to the tailbone. Problems can develop from everyday wear and tear, overuse, or injury; however, most back problems and injuries occur during sports or recreational activities, or work-related tasks.

The back is made up of many different parts including vertebrae, the discs which separate the vertebrae and absorb shock, and the muscles and ligaments that hold the spine together. Some people are more likely to develop back pain than others due to a family history of back problems. Other factors include advancing age, or having a degenerative disease, such as osteoporosis, or osteoarthritis. Spinal deformities such as scoliosis can also cause back pain.

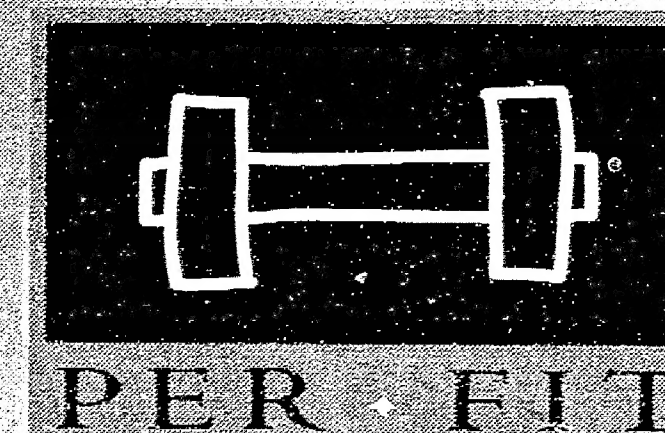
Treatment for a back problem or injury can vary and depends on the location, type, and severity of the injury, as well as your age, and level of health. Home treatment is usually all that is needed to relieve back pain caused by minor accidents such as tripping, falling a short distance, improper lifting, or over-twisting of the spine. More severe back injuries, however, may require professional medical treatment. Treatment can include first aid measures, physical therapy, manipulative therapy (such as chiropractic), medication, and, in more serious cases, surgery.

Dr. Dale Yakish of Heritage Valley Health System, stresses safety for back pain prevention. "Many back injuries can easily be prevented through safety. Practicing proper lifting techniques can greatly reduce your chances of an injury, which can in turn lead to chronic back pain.

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QV grad recognized for excellence

By Jon Paul Creese

Staff writer

Former Quaker Valley graduate and valedictorian Justin Starr was recognized during a pep rally last week for winning National and State Advanced Placement Scholar honors.

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The handsome, mild-mannered Starr received accolades (as well as a few anonymous cat calls) from QV students and staff members and certificates from State Rep. Mark Mustio and an aide to State Sen. John Pippy.

"It feels very good," Starr said of the recognition. "It's quite an honor."

"I'm thankful to QV for enabling me to do all this," he continued, "and for my parents and family."

School Superintendent Dr. R. Gerard Longo, referring to a favorite quote, said "Good things happen when preparation and opportunity come together," and explained that QV's commitment to opening opportunities in advanced placement, dedicated and professional staff, and laptop computer availability provided a catalyst for Starr's ambitions and accomplishments.

"He took advantage of all these things and way more," Longo said and added that QV has 38 AP scholars out of roughly 160 students.

To be considered an AP Scholar, students must receive a grade of 3.0 or higher on at least three AP exams.

Starr went far beyond that mark, earning a 4.7 average on 20 exams, making him eligible for national and state honors.

Of 38,000 AP Scholars in Pennsylvania, only two students are chosen for the state award, one male and one female.

"Our high school was a tremendous participant in that achievement," Longo said of Starr's achievement.

Starr reiterated that sentiment.

"These exams get you ready for college," he explained to a young Quaker audience. "When I was going off to college, I was worried. I was nervous."

"I was leaving the Sewickley bubble for the first time," he said but explained that everything turned out OK, "thanks to my experience with



JUSTIN STARR returns to QVHS to accept hometown accolades for his academic accomplishments.

Photo by Jon Paul Creese

AP at Quaker Valley."

Of course, he admits, it was no cakewalk.

"In high school, taking exams was so much work and so much stress, but everything culminated into a nice payoff," he said, adding that while he is pleased to be an AP State Scholar, "I've benefited so much more from the knowledge I've gained."

So, where does one find the energy to accomplish so much?

"I might be a little crazy," Starr joked of his

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Funeral director uses ad space to share faith, encouragement

By Sarah Mills

Herald contributor

For most companies, advertising is simply another order of business.

Not for Raymond Dickson Copeland, funeral director of Copeland's Sewickley. His "Thoughts for the Week" reflections and ideas he writes himself have been in the Sewickley Herald for more than 30 years.

Copeland, a funeral director for 57 years, said he felt like

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writing down and sharing his reflections in a weekly column.

"I just had that feeling in my heart," he said.

His "Thoughts" go back to 1942, when he was serving in the Navy as an assistant chaplain on the USS Colusa. As assistant chaplain, he was sometimes called upon to give



the eulogy.

Over the years, ministers who have read his "Thoughts" have used them as a basis for many of their own sermons.

He writes, in part, for "people who need help but don't go to church," Copeland said.

THE WORDS of Raymond Dickson Copeland (at left) come straight from the heart.

He usually writes in the morning. Some pieces are entirely new, while others have been recycled when the time is appropriate.

His inspirations include friends and family, but ideas ultimately just seem to appear.

"Usually a thought comes to you and you build on that thought," he said.

To read Copeland's "Thought for the Week," look on Page 24 of this week's Herald.

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Starr's college career offers wealth of choices

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unequivocal drive to achieve. "I like to have a full plate all the time."

"I like to stay busy. I don't sleep much," he added frankly, "so I have a lot of time."

Starr, a freshman at the University of Virginia, has used that time wisely.

As well as achieving national and state scholar status, he is a Jefferson Scholar, an award that attests to his "demonstrated excellence and exceptional potential in the areas of leadership, scholarship, and citizenship", according to a Jefferson Scholar Foundation Web site.

He began earning academic honors at an early age.

While still in high school, Starr entered a Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science

competition. He took first place at the regional and state levels for extracting DNA from insects trapped in amber, a feat he idealized from one of his favorite movies.

"I saw Jurassic Park. I thought it was cool," he said, casually.

With all this knowledge and ambition, it's no surprise that Starr has a bit of a dilemma on his hands.

"There is so much I want to do," he says, "I don't know how to narrow it down."

Starr said he enjoys playing alto saxophone with the University of Virginia Marching Band, politics, biology and speaking Russian.

He is also a member of the University Democrats, the Honor Council and Undergraduate Research Network.

UPDATE

County sends tax relief notices

Allegheny County's year-end mailing of an Act 72 property tax relief application and instructions was to assure that all property owners have the opportunity to take advantage of Act 72 tax reduction should their local school district decide to participate in Act 72.

In October, approximately 250,000 Allegheny County home owners received a letter confirming their immediate qualification for Act 72 because they previously qualified for Act 50 of 1998. Another

135,000 property owners were mailed an Act 72 application and instructions.

Completing the application is necessary because potential reduction in property taxes is not automatic.

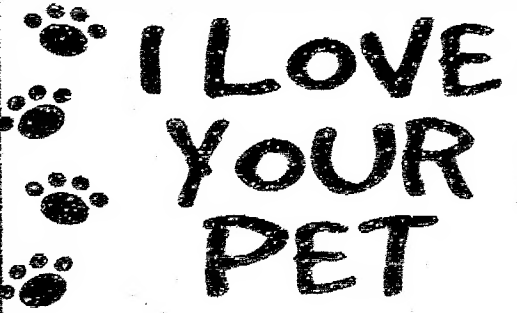
First, homeowners and farmstead property owners must file the application with the county. Commercial and industrial properties owners, as well as renters, are not eligible for an exemption.

Second, school boards must decide by May 30, 2005, whether to participate in Act 72.

If a district does decide to participate by enacting a .0107 increase in the local earned income tax rate, relief funds from new gaming licenses, gambling operations, and the increase in earned income taxes will be available to that district.

Potential property tax relief will not be immediate.

The state payments to school districts are not expected to be received until the 2006-07 school year or later. Tax reduction will appear on tax bills in the form of reduced assessments.



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Leetsdale bed & breakfast offers quaint comforts

By Rachel Weaver

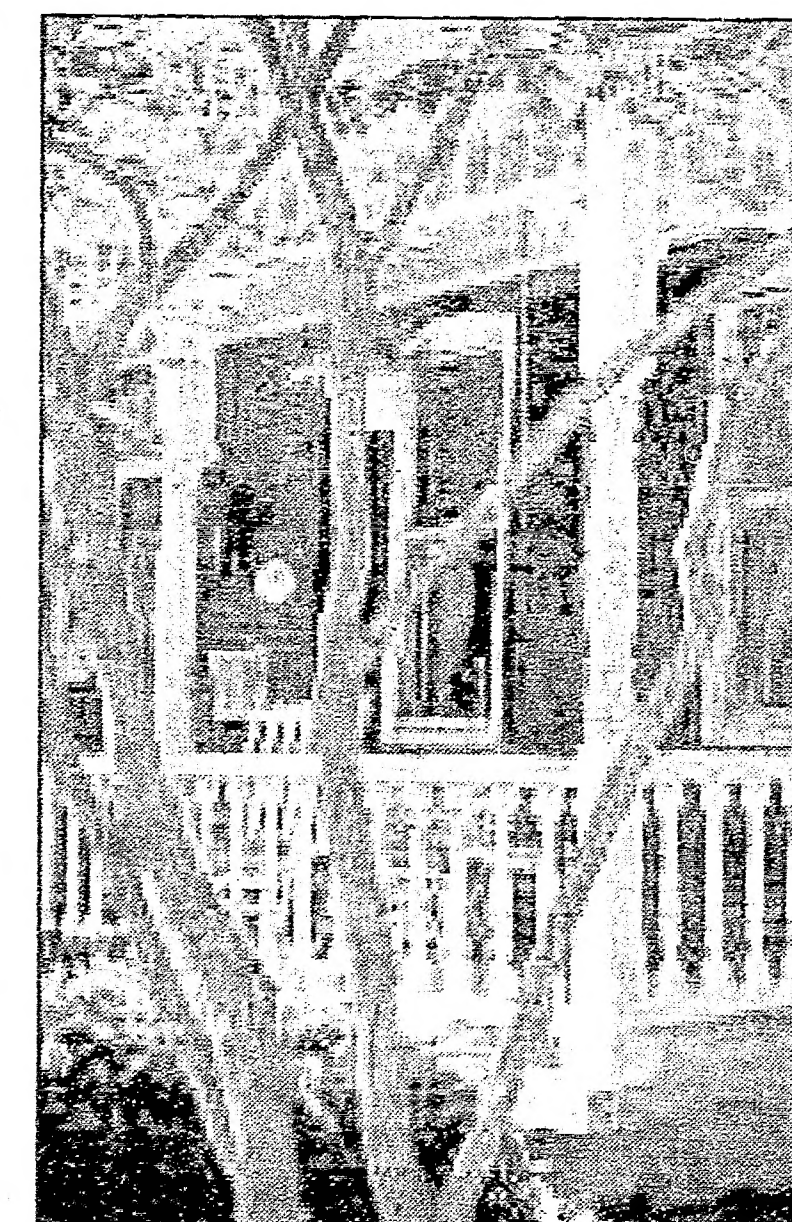
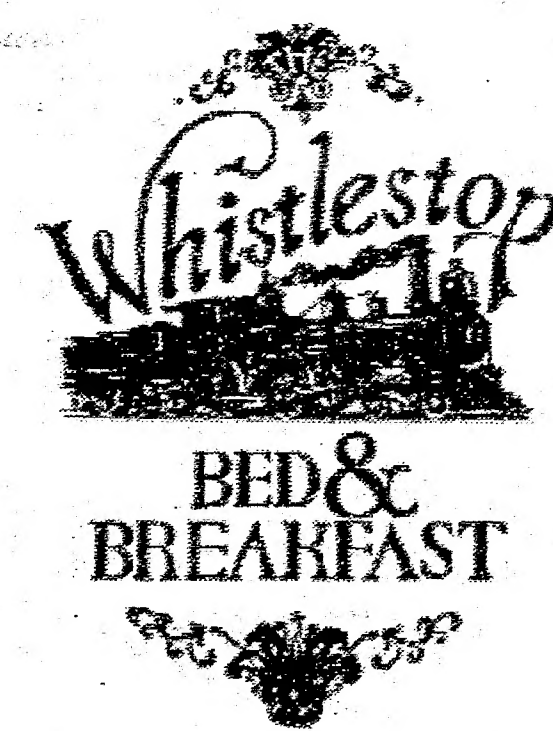
Staff writer

Joyce and Steve Smith love having strangers in their home.

For the past 13 years, the couple has run a bed and breakfast out of their 1888 four-story Eastlake Victorian house in Leetsdale.

"It's between a hotel and staying at your great-aunt's house," says Steve.

The house stands at the corner of Broad and Spencer streets, an area of the borough Joyce calls "Old Leetsdale."



JOYCE SMITH'S dream has come true. For 13 years, she and her husband Steve have welcomed guests into their home at Whistlestop Bed & Breakfast in Leetsdale. Inside and out, the property's charm enhances the Smiths' hospitality.

Years ago, the nearby Stained Glass Shop was home to the Leetsdale Post Office and the town doctor's office was located just around the corner. People would visit the area to shop at the town candy store and stop in at the local ice cream shop.

"This was really town center," says Steve, a retired professor of theology and ethics at the Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry.

James Creese, his wife and their six children were the original occupants of the home, which was built by Old Economy brick workers.

One of the sons, Alfred, taught history at Leetsdale High School and lived alone in the home for 40 years.

"Kids in the neighborhood would steal apples from his trees," says Joyce.

The home's next owner was Margaret Mutschler, a noted area antique dealer who turned the building into a four-unit apartment complex. Mutschler added bathrooms to each berth and built hardwood floors into each room, all while paying special

attention to maintaining the home's historic details.

"She made it look like they'd always been there," says Joyce.

The Smiths lived in Sewickley when Joyce began walking neighborhood streets each day in search of a property where she could begin her dream of running a bed and breakfast.

The homemaker enjoyed entertaining and friends insisted she had the perfect personality for the job.

When she saw Mutschler's house with its fluted woodwork and diamond-paned windows, she knew it was perfect despite being close to the railroad.

"I stood outside and listened to the trains. I didn't find them offensive," she says.

Their son, Andrew, named the home "Whistlestop," which means "short stay." The word dates back to days when campaigning politicians made stops in towns so quickly that they only could be seen waving from the train.

It also refers to a town where a train stopped only if the whistle was blown.

The train theme runs throughout the

house through the many wall hangings stitched with train images and paintings of different locomotives traveling through various settings.

"People see a train and think of me," says Joyce.

The Smiths, who have been married for 41 years, live in the building's basement apartment with their dog, Frosty. The other three levels are rented out on a nightly basis.

For \$70 per night plus sales and hotel tax, guests get a room with a queen- or king-sized bed, bathroom, kitchen, television, VCR, phone, refrigerator, crib, sleeping bags and futons.

Each room has a coal-burning fireplace, though Joyce discretely blocks them with furniture to keep children from using them.

"I'm sure those were messy in their day," says Steve.

A cozy, homey feeling is amplified by old wooden furniture, which Steve's great grandmother received after her wedding. Old bookshelves are filled with thick books. Soft pinks and blues cover the walls and bedding.

Many Whistlestop guests are students attending Trinity Episcopal for doctorate classes, but the most common visitors are relatives of Sewickley-area residents.

Some visitors return every year during the holidays.

Each morning of their stay, Joyce serves a hot meal for breakfast in the common dining room.

When many guests are at the house, she prefers they all dine together around the large walnut table.

"I've seen people make connections here," she says.

During summer months, guests eat outside. Joyce has cooked for as many as 13 people at once when members of a family reunion filled the rooms.

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ON THE CALENDAR

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Fern Hollow

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The program will be held on Saturday, Jan. 15, from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Fern Hollow Nature Center in Sewickley Heights.

For reservations, call Sam Capezzuto at 412-741-6136 or email FHNC@verizon.net.

Wilson, R.N., who will speak on "Health Promotion."

Reservations may be made by calling Gertrude Beistel at 412-375-4808 or Florence Keck at 412-264-5396 by the Thursday, Jan. 13.

At the YMCA

New classes are upcoming at Sewickley Valley YMCA.

Feathers! for newborns to 18 months will be held on Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. or Saturday at 10 a.m. from Feb. 5 to March 26.

The fee will be \$70 for members and \$90 for program members.



Fiddle-Dee-Dee, for children ages 18 months to 3 years, will be held on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. or Saturday at 11 a.m. from Feb. 5 to May 14.

The fee for members will be \$125 and \$145 for program members.

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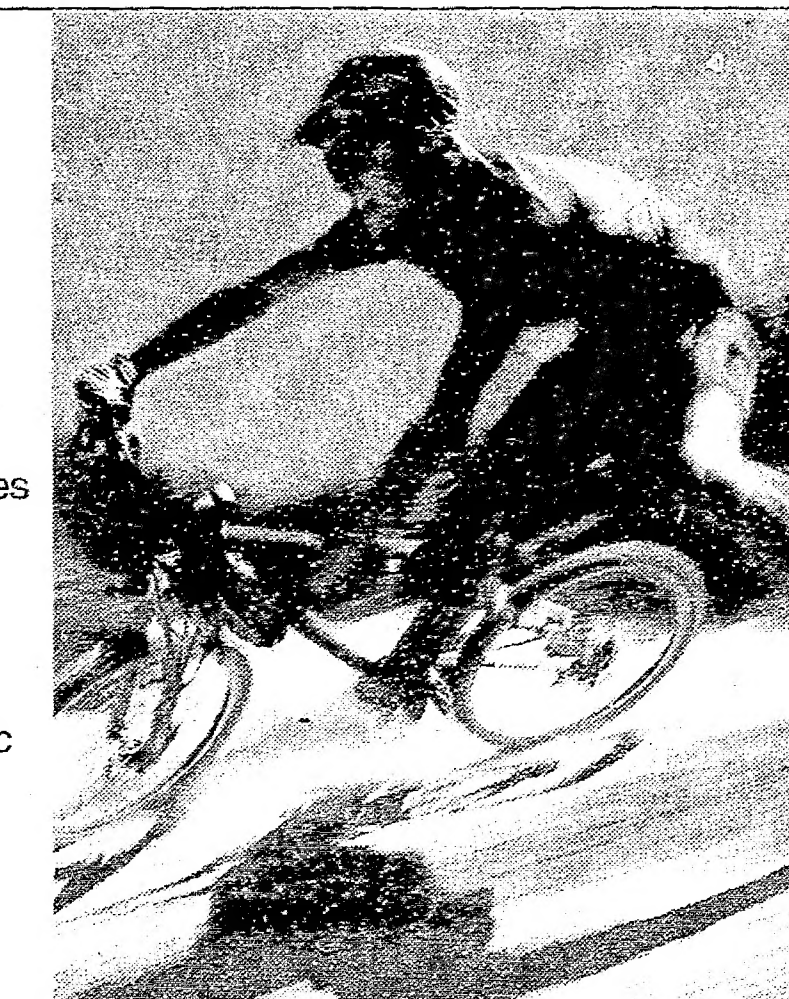
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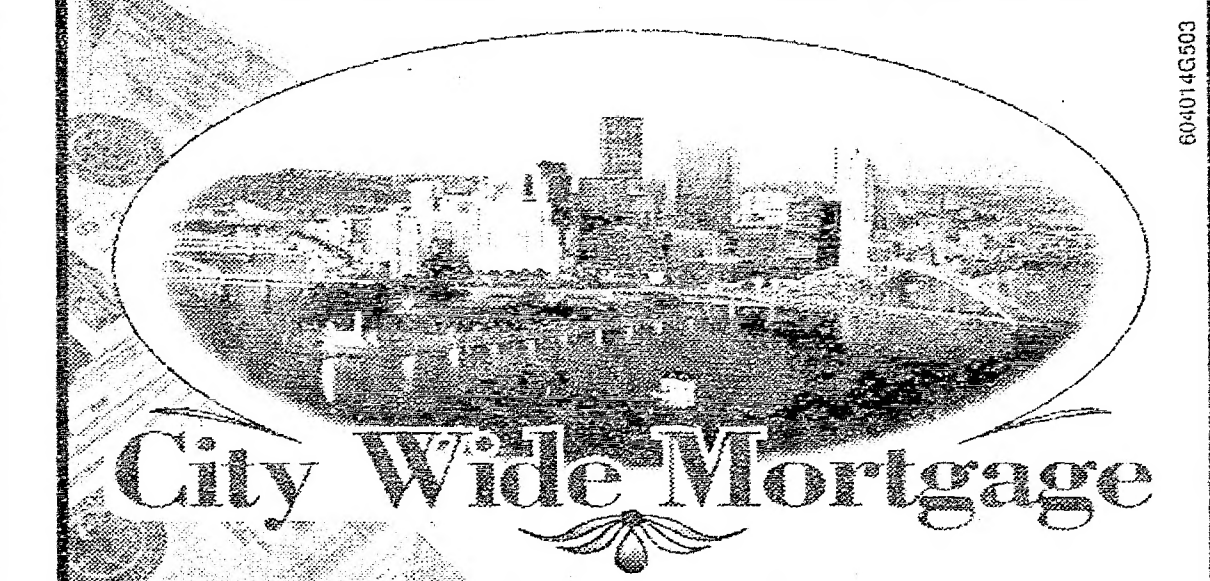
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Jeffery and Carol Weatherby of Leetsdale announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Angela Weatherby, to Brian Robert Crounse, son of John and Kim Crounse, of Ballston Lake, N.Y.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Quaker Valley High School and earned a bachelor of science degree in psychology from Clemson University in Clemson, S.C., and a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling-substance abuse/clinical counseling from East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C.

She is interning as a counselor at Gateway Rehabilitation Center in Aliquippa.

The future bridegroom is a graduate of Shenendehowa High School in Clifton Park, N.Y.

He earned a bachelor of science degree and a master's degree in computer engineering at Clemson University in Clemson, S.C.

He is employed as a Software Engineer at Sea Level Systems in Liberty, S.C.

The wedding will be held Sunday, May 29, at Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church in Wexford.

ENGAGEMENT



UPCOMING

Historical society welcomes Scott Lang

On Saturday, Jan. 15, at 10:30 a.m., author Scott B. Lang will address the Sewickley Valley Historical Society at the Old Sewickley Post Office Building.

Lang's book "The Forgotten Charge: The 123rd Pennsylvania at Marye's Heights" is the topic for his presentation.

For many years Lang had a passionate interest in the Civil War and particularly its relationship to the Allegheny County region. This passion led him

to research and have his book published.

"The Forgotten Charge" tells the story of the 123rd Pennsylvania Volunteers, the only Civil War regiment exclusively recruited from Allegheny County.

A Presbyterian minister, John Barr Clark, formed the regiment back in August 1862. This group of men went on to become part of the final assault on Marye's Heights in December 1862 and lost close to 25 per-

cent of its men during the attack. Unfortunately, the story of this regiment is little known to residents of Pittsburgh.

Lang, who recently spoke to the Mayflower Society at Station Square, will bring more than 50 pictures, as well as a number of relics, including a sword carried by one of the wounded captains.

Visitors are welcome at the meeting. For information, call 412-741-5315.

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REMEMBERING WHEN



MEMBERS OF the Steup family have kept the tradition of attending Sewickley United Methodist Church's annual Turkey Dinner. They are (first row) Lydia Elste, Grace Steup and Sarah Elste; (back row) Amy Steup Elste, Clayton Steup, Robert Steup, Mary Lou Steup Flach, Karen Steup and Scott Elste.

Local families gather for February's turkey, fixin's

It has been a tradition since 1948 that members of the Steup family have attended the methodist church's annual turkey dinner.

It all began with Grandmother Mary Wagner Steup (who would be the Elste children's great-great grandmother) who started the custom of attending the turkey dinner.

Each year the Steup clan, including Great-Grandmother Grace Steup, looks forward to this delightful evening. From the mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw and the delicious

apple or pumpkin pie desserts, no one goes away hungry!

Thank you to the methodist church congregation for allowing the Steup family to be a part of a wonderful and yummy tradition. - *The Steup Family*

This year marks the 57 year of the event. Tickets for the Thursday, Feb. 3 dinner's two seatings at 5 and 6 p.m. can be purchased at the church.

The cost is \$10 for dine-in or takeout. Tickets for children, ages 4-10, are \$5. There is no charge for children, age 3 and younger.



Robin and Dingy Hays, owners of Party Ants and keepers of the tradition, enjoy this Thanksgiving meal every year.

"We have attended Sewickley United Methodist Church annual Turkey Dinner for many years and have enjoyed not only the food (to think it's all homemade and we didn't have to make it!) but also the company!"

It is a time when our family gets together and "gives thanks" once again, for a turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

We sincerely thank the church members who prepare and serve such a wonderful meal! We'll be there on Thursday, February 3rd - won't you?

ON STAGE

Local talent at the Byham

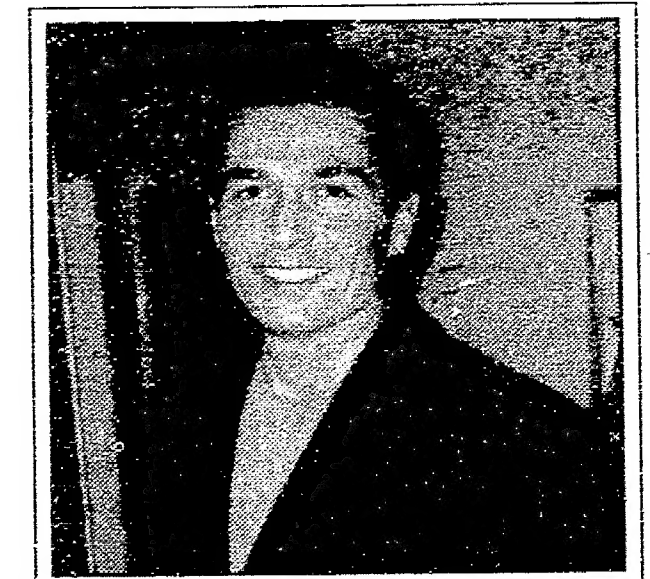
Pittsburgh Musical Theater presents "Grease!" a feast of '50s nostalgia that has become one of America's favorite musi-

cals. It will run Jan. 13 - 23 at the Byham Theater in Pittsburgh's cultural district.

Sewickley natives Sarah Zeiter and David Giles are back in town to perform in the ensemble. Mandi Durkosh of Quaker Valley High School is a swing.

The production is directed and choreographed by Danny Herman, with musical direction by Camille Rolla. It features KDKA's Jon Burnett as Vince Fontaine and Jack "Johnny Angel" Hunt as the Teen Angel.

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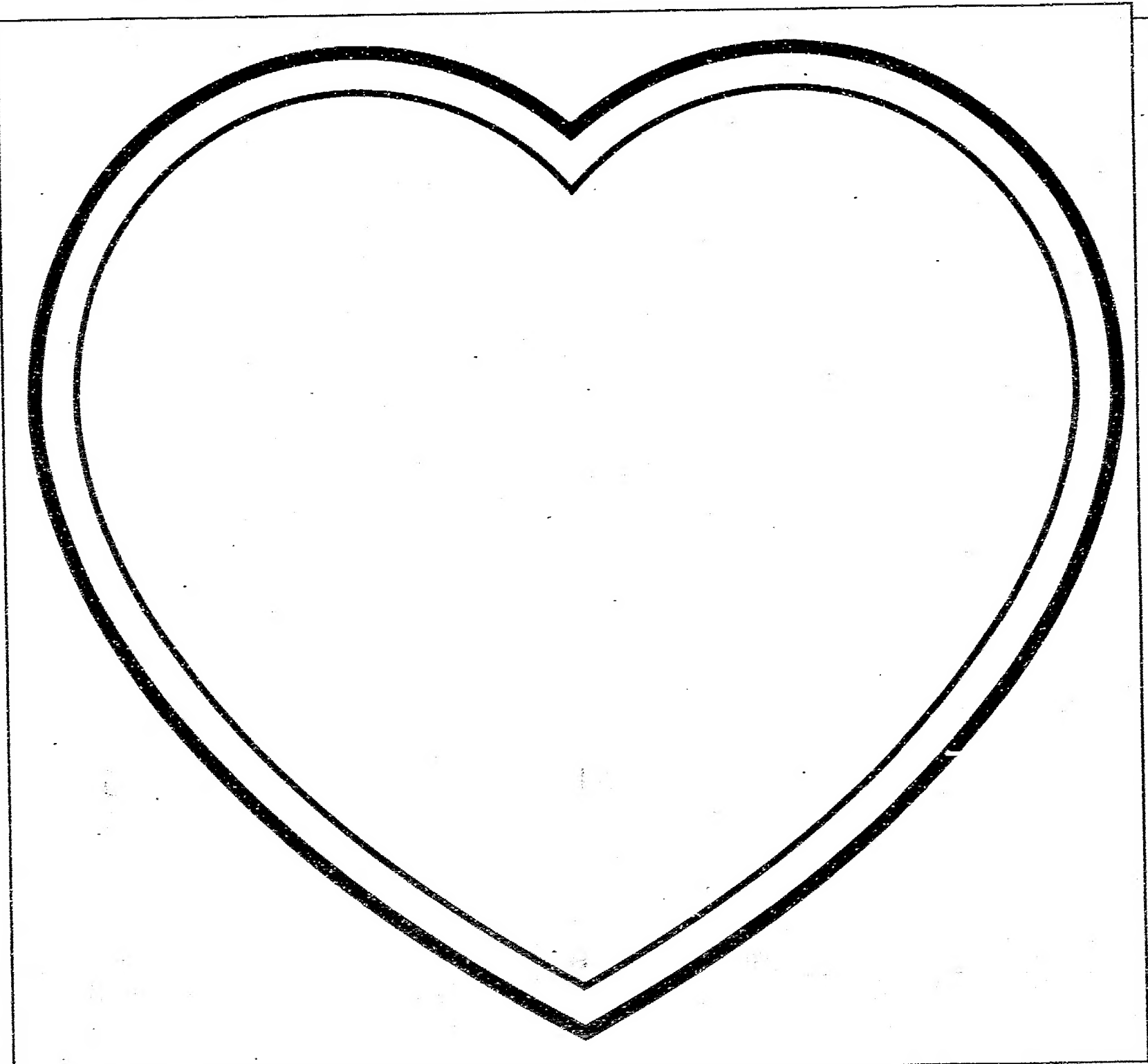
Sweetwater Center for the Arts is proud to present the recent work of photographer Tom Persinger in the exhibit, "Mediations: Photographs without a Lens."

The exhibit opens Jan. 14 and will continue through Feb. 11.

An opening reception will be held Jan. 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. The event is free and open to the public, refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 412-741-4405.

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Woman's Club welcomes Haiti hospital advocate

The Woman's Club of Sewickley will welcome Lucy Rawson to their next meeting on Monday, Jan. 17.

CLUB DATES

Rawson, a Pittsburgh native, will present a program titled "Song of Haiti," which will explore the work of the Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Haiti.

The club meets at the Edgeworth Club for each program. Lunch is available by reservation before the program begins at 1:30 p.m.

Rawson graduated from Vassar college and studied archaeology at the American University of Beirut.

For 40 years, she has been involved with the hospital that was founded by her husband's

parents, Dr. Larry and Gwen Mellon.

The Mellons sought to provide medical care to those who had the greatest need by founding the hospital in Deschappelles, Haiti.

Rawson became interested in the art of Haiti through friendships with local artists.

She is president of the Friends of Albert Schweitzer Hospital and her goal is to educate people about the country and explore ways by which people can contribute to the ongoing humanitarian efforts in Haiti.

Membership applications for the Woman's Club of Sewickley Valley are available at the reception desk.

For more information about the club, call 412-741-3030.

ON STAGE

Collier stars in LSS benefit

Sportswriter, playwright, stand-up comedian, consummate storyteller — Gene Collier is all of these and more.

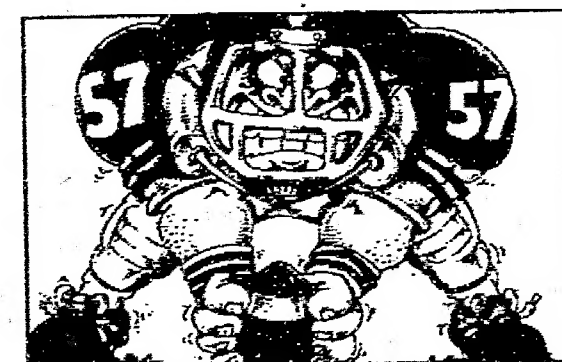
The Lutheran Service Society (LSS) will welcome Collier in a very special up-close-and-personal presentation on Friday, Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. at the LSS PrimeTime Activity Center, 440 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue.

Proceeds will benefit LSS SeniorNet, a computer training program for adults 50 and older.

An award-winning sportswriter for more than 20 years, Collier is most known for his columns in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. He is also a regular on the WDVE morning show and Fox Sports Pittsburgh.

Last year, his play, "The Chief," about Pittsburgh Steelers' owner Art Rooney, which Collier co-wrote with Rob Zellers, premiered to rave reviews at the Pittsburgh Public Theater.

It recently enjoyed a suc-



cessful return engagement.

Collier will share highlights from his career covering the Pittsburgh and national sports scene, his experience as an emerging playwright and his unique comedic view of the world.

The evening will conclude with a special question and answer session.

Seats are limited and reservations are recommended.

Tickets are \$10 in advance/\$12 at the door. All seats are general admission.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and light refreshments, included in the ticket price, will be served until show time.

Call 412-734-9330 for reservations.

Let the community know what your organization is planning. Send information to Sewickley Herald, 1964 Greentree Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15220 or e-mail sewickley.herald@gatewaynewspapers.com

Seminars offer information

These are the upcoming informational talks scheduled at Sewickley Public Library.

■ **Patient and Doctor Communication:** Monday Jan. 24, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Join Margaret Washington, author of "Doctor, Can You Hear Me? Patient, Are You Listening," as she discusses the importance of effective discussions between physicians and patients.

An experienced health care administrator, Washington conducted intensive research to determine effective communication models to the interaction between patients and doctors.

Copies of her book will be available for purchase.

Program is free. Register by calling 412-741-6920.

■ **Anger Management:** Tuesday, Jan. 25, 7 p.m.

Learn about anger and gain strategies to deal with this powerful emotion, in an informative program presented by Daniel Gittins of the Center for Anger, Behavior and Conflict Management.

AT THE LIBRARY

Included in his discussion will be the differences between anger and aggression and strategies useful in handling these situations, as well as passive, aggressive, and assertive responses.

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CLUB DATE

Senior Men's Club greets Louis Lipps

The Senior Men's Club, made up of retired men from the area, will welcome Louis Lipps, Steelers great wide receiver, to its Friday, Jan. 14 meeting.

His topic will be "Steelers Glory Days vs. Today." Lipps has taken his career as a receiver with Steelers of the 1980s under Chuck Knoll to the business boardroom and now to broadcasting with KDKA-radio.

The club meets at Sewickley Valley YMCA every Friday morning at 9:30 for coffee and doughnuts and a program at 10 a.m.



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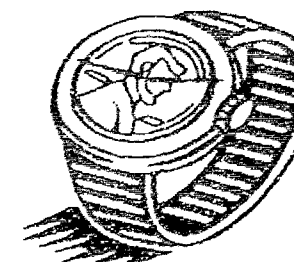
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SCAT leaders encourage teens through message, events

By Sarah Mills

Herald contributor

Almost 200 students from local middle schools attended a dance on Friday, Jan. 7. The dance was hosted by the Sewickley Community Asset Team (SCAT) and held at Sewickley Academy's gymnasium.

TEENS FOR TEENS

This is good news to Damian Estrada, Quaker Valley junior and president of the Quaker Valley chapter of SCAT.

"Judging by the turnout from the dance, a lot of people are paying attention to [SCAT]. They're starting to understand who we really are and what we're doing," said Estrada.

More and more students and adults in the district are understanding the importance of SCAT and its mission: to provide a healthy alternative for students, showing them that underage drinking, drug use, and partying aren't the only ways to have fun.

SCAT was founded almost four years ago by a group of concerned students and administrative professionals in the district to combat the use of drugs and



TAKING PRIDE in the SCAT message are its officers (from left) Seth Baumwell, Quaker Valley; J.P. Russell, Sewickley Academy; Maggie O'Hara, Sewickley Academy; and Damian Estrada, Quaker Valley.

Photo by Damian Estrada

alcohol in teenagers.

Bianca Estrada, Damian's sister, was one of the organization's founding members.

"I sort of followed in her footsteps," said Estrada.

Estrada has been a member of SCAT since he was a freshman. He has seen

the group grow from a handful of students at its inception to more than 40 members from Sewickley Academy and Quaker Valley combined.

Each chapter of the group meets every other week. Then they meet together about once a month, or more often if there is an event coming up, such as the dance.

So far, SCAT has organized many activities, including a picnic and a survey both held last year.

At its next meeting, the group hopes to plan further events and activities, with the aim of keeping students away from destructive behavior.

"Some of the purposes [of the dance] were to get the word out about SCAT, to get middle schoolers to meet students from other schools, and to give the students an alternative activity [to drinking] on a Friday night," said Estrada.

Estrada is hopeful about the future of SCAT. Only a young organization, he already sees the positive impact it has had on the community.

"I believe in everything we talk about, I'm not just doing SCAT," he said.

"I believe it'll be around as long as other people believe in its message."

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QUAKER VALLEY

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The next date for the Oasis service is Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m. The church is located 414 Grant St.

MLK Jr. weekend

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Members are welcome to come every month, or from time to time, as needed.

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Owen Brennan Yeckley



Owen Brennan Yeckley was born on April 18, 1915 in Pittsburgh, PA and passed away on September 13, 2004 in Marysville, WA. "Big O" will be sorely missed by his friends and family. He was the last generation, which included

brothers Albert, Quinton and Tom and sisters Martha and Mary. Owen was also preceded by his beloved wife of 57 years, Olga, who passed away on April 18, 2000. He is survived by sons Leif and Jon, grandchildren Elizabeth, Orion and Jonathan and great grandchildren Cadin, Tristan and Anna.

At family get-togethers, especially during the football season there would be loud cheering and rooting for the Yeckley's team. Owen was also renowned for his speech making abilities. To everyone's delight, on these occasions and on many others, he would play the piano and sing. His infectious energy and enthusiasm livened any occasion.

When Owen went out he would always have a candy bag with him, ready to give chocolate and other goodies to all he came in contact with. The "Candyman" loved to bring a smile to faces as he had them pick a hand. Of course, both hands held candy so there were no losers. His generosity in all aspects of life was a wonderful quality that touched family, friends and coworkers. Owen's outgoing and friendly manner won him friends wherever he went. His many golf and card playing buddies from Sewickley, PA will miss him.

A Memorial Service will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church located at 4200 88th St. NE in Marysville, WA 98270 on Thursday, December 8th at 3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, for those who wish to make an offering, please send it to St. Mary's.

IN MEMORY

Ruth Macfarlane Debevoise, longtime Sewickley resident



Ruth Debevoise

Ruth Macfarlane Debevoise died at her home in Sewickley on Jan. 10, 2005.

She was 88. Mrs. Debevoise was the daughter of the late Nancy Gerstell and George Clymer Macfarlane, a direct descendant of George Clymer, a signer of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution.

She grew up in Towanda, Pa., and attended the Baldwin School, Sweetbriar College and Penn State University.

Before her marriage, she was employed by the Atlantic Mutual Insurance Co. in New York City and modeled for commercial photographers and illustrators.

She married Thomas Debevoise of Englewood, N.J., in 1941, and they lived in Baltimore; Clarksburg, W. V.; Johnstown, Pa.; and Pittsburgh before moving to Sewickley in 1964.

Mr. Debevoise, who was an executive with Peoples Natural

Gas Co., died in 1993.

Mrs. Debevoise was a member of The Presbyterian Church of Sewickley, the Edgeworth Club, the Edgeworth Duplicate Bridge Club and the Yard Birds Garden Club.

An avid gardener, she was one of the Yard Birds' founders and served as its president twice.

She is survived by two

daughters, Nancy Macfarlane Debevoise of Lander, Wyo., and Barbara Debevoise Dinsmore and her husband Clement Dinsmore of Washington, D.C., and two grandchildren, Lucy Walker Dinsmore of Minneapolis and Andrew Macfarlane Dinsmore of Pikeville, Ky.

Memorial gifts in her memory may be made to the Hopewell office of the Forbes Hospice, Sewickley Public Library or The Presbyterian Church of Sewickley.

Arrangements were made by Richard D. Cole Funeral Home Inc.

Roger Dunlap III Member of St. James

Roger Allen Dunlap III, 9, a lifelong resident of Ross Township, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 2, at Mercy Hospital.

He was born in Pittsburgh on Aug. 7, 1995.

Roger was a member of St. James Church, the Play Group

at Pressley Ridge and the Third Grade Class at High Cliff Elementary.

He is survived by his loving parents: Heather (McIntyre) and Roger A. Dunlap, Jr.; Grandmother Carol Lively of Pittsburgh; his paternal grandparents, Roger and Donna Dunlap of Baden and Reed and Dorothy McCrea of Franklin Park; his godparents, John and Stacey Harbison of Franklin Park; and three cousins.

Even though his earthly life was short, he will be held in the hearts of all the lives he touched.

A funeral was held in St. James Church with the Rev. Dave Poecking officiating. Burial was in St. James Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Copeland's Sewickley/Irvine Chapel.

Memorials may be made in his name to Autism Opportunities Network Inc., 109 Deimling Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15229.

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Thought for the Week

A well-known traveler, noted for his phenomenal memory and experience, revealed his secret to a young man about to embark on his first trip abroad.

When you find yourself looking at one of the wonders of the world or living through a great moment, close your eyes for a little while and imagine that the experience is long past and you are home again. Ask yourself what you might have done to heighten the experience; how you might have behaved if you had it all to do over again.

We think this suggestion is a useful one, not merely for travelers, but for every day people pursuing every day pleasures and obligations.

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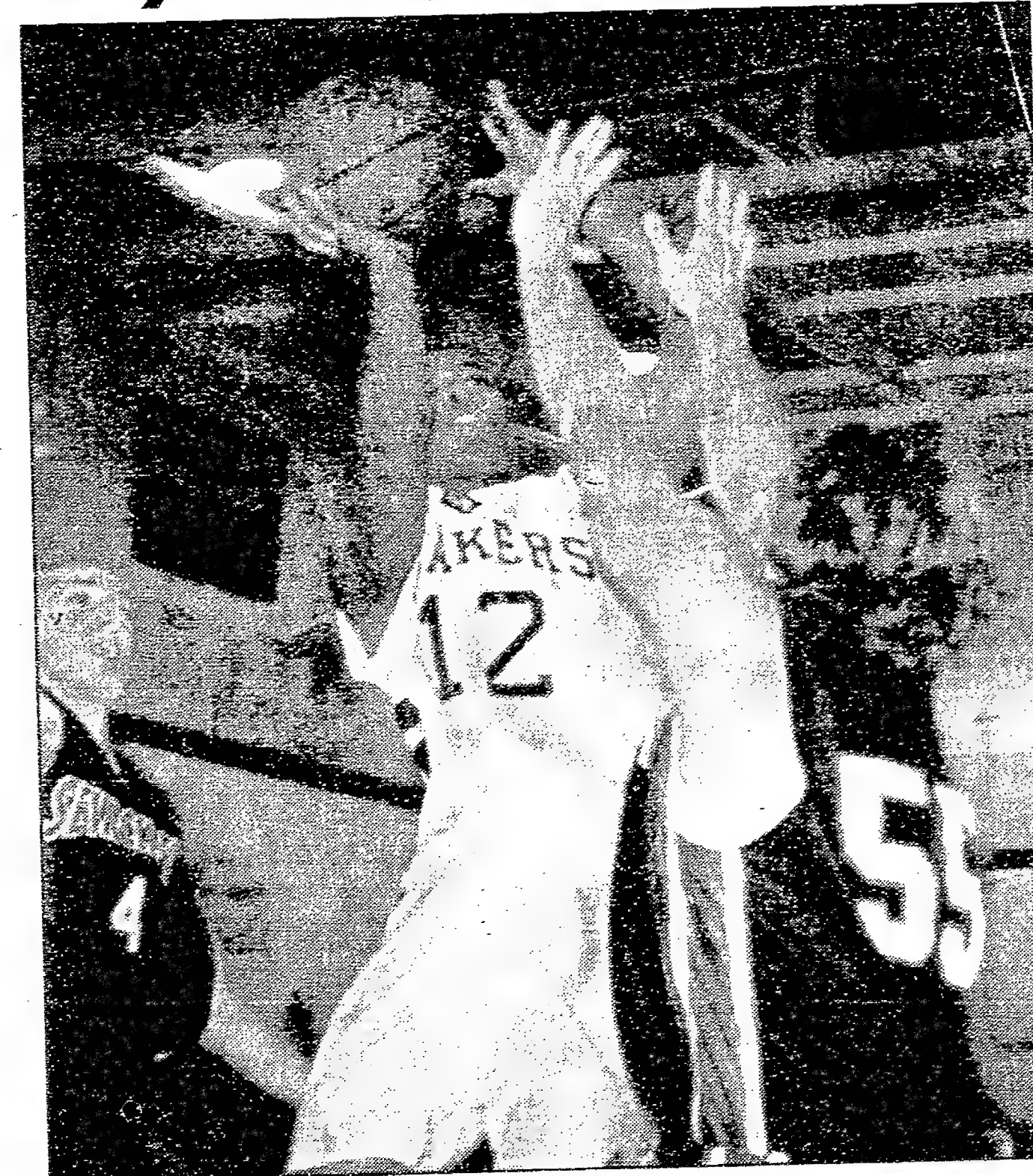


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DARREN ROGERS, Quaker Valley junior, goes up for a shot as Academy senior George Raftis attempts a block during Saturday night's rivalry.



AMIR JOHNSON, Quaker Valley junior, takes a shot from the outside. Johnson led the Quakers with a season-high 32 points against his former alma mater. Photos by Tim Edmonson

Quakers turn tables on Academy with 83-61 victory

By Jon Paul Creese
Sports editor

When the Panthers met Quaker Valley for a spirited backyard brawl Saturday night, it panned out just like last year, only the tables were completely turned.

The standing room only, highly-charged, playoff-like atmosphere, tensions boiling over with the spirit of an age old rivalry ... everything was in place (including many of the same players), only this year, the Quakers ruled the court, beginning with a strong initial attack, as Sewickley made copious but futile attempts to recover.

After compiling a stinging 26-12 lead

in the first quarter, during which Amir Johnson, Sewickley Herald's Athlete of the Week, netted four three pointers, the Quakers turned the flames up even higher.

"Amir can take the ball to the hole," said Tom Demko, QV Head Coach. "He's solid with that. Once his shot is on that's it."

The second quarter brought more woes for the Panthers as the Quaker defense held out for a 12-point Quaker spree, including a classic ally-oop slam dunk from Ryan Courneen to Ryann Bradford.

The Quakers walked off the court with a 21 point lead at the half.

"We're playing well," Demko said.

"Amir can take the ball to the hole. He's solid with that. Once his shot is on that's it."

- Tom Demko, Head Coach

"We're looking to get better with every game."

"These kids have stepped up and showed us a lot," he added of recent games that Quaker Valley has dominated, including a 78-67 victory over Seton LaSalle during which Johnson claimed a triple double, hit 10 of 10 free throws and finished with 30 points.

Johnson led the Quakers Friday night

with 32 points.

But, what the Panthers lacked in cohesion, senior Matt Palmer practically single-handedly made up for in a pure adrenaline-fueled fury in the fourth quarter.

Palmer scored 31 of the Academy's 61 points, netting 12 of them in the fourth quarter alone when the Academy took control and outscored the tiring Quakers 24-20.

"Win is a great coach," Demko said. "Palmer is a great shooter," he added of the father-son dynamic that helped land the Academy a WPIAL gold last year.

"Anytime you get a shooter like

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BASKETBALL



LAURA WEST shields a Cornell defender as fellow senior Jess DeFranko takes an outside shot Thursday.

Photos by Jon Paul Creese

Lady Panthers roll over Raiders, 48-32

By Jon Paul Creese

Sports editor

This was not supposed to be a big game. Few fans showed at Cornell High School for a Section 1-A match that pitted 7-5, 1-2 Sewickley Academy against 1-12, 0-5 Cornell.

But the Lady Panthers needed no fanfare to play their hearts out during an intense basketball game that ended in a 48-32 Academy victory.

"The girls played good defense," said SA Head Coach Roy Parker. "They played smarter D."

Indeed, the Lady Raiders found no room to score for the first five minutes of play, allowing QV to rack up a 15-2 lead going into the second.

High point scorer for the Academy, senior Katarina Lackner, hit a three pointer off the Lady Panthers' initial second period offensive.

But, Cornell capitalized on QV's man-to-man strategy and started drawing fouls. The Lady Raiders closed the gap 25-12 by the half.

"We went to the match up zone and went up 20," Parker

explained of his shift in strategy that resulted in another QV onslaught that began midway through the third.

A Lady Panther pounding in the fourth left no room for a Cornell comeback.

"We moved the basketball well ... from side to side" Parker said. "We're just happy to have the win."

The Lady Panthers face three tough section opponents in the next week beginning with

Western Beaver Saturday at the Academy. The Academy defeated WB 45-27 earlier in the season. They travel to Rochester Monday before taking on Farrell at home next Thursday.

"The hard part is ... the girls have final exams [this week] and they shut down basketball," Parker said of the challenge the lady Panthers face.

"That is a tremendous amount of pressure ... they have to focus."



COACH ROY PARKER lays out a plan during a time-out.

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BASKETBALL

Quakers defeat Panthers, 83-61, in rivalry match

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Palmer, it can cause you problems when it gets close."

Fortunately for Demko and his stout-hearted Quakers, the Academy's advance was insufficient.

The win puts the Quakers at 14-1 in Section 3-AA. They travel to 3-7 Sto-Rox for a section match Friday night.

The Quakers defeated the Rox 66-59 earlier this season.

"They don't give up," Johnson said of the tenacious Vikings. "It's always a tough game, especially when it's at their house."

"It will be a hard-fought game."

Johnson, who transferred from Sewickley Academy last year, along with teammate Ryann Bradford, said he enjoyed Saturday's rivalry.

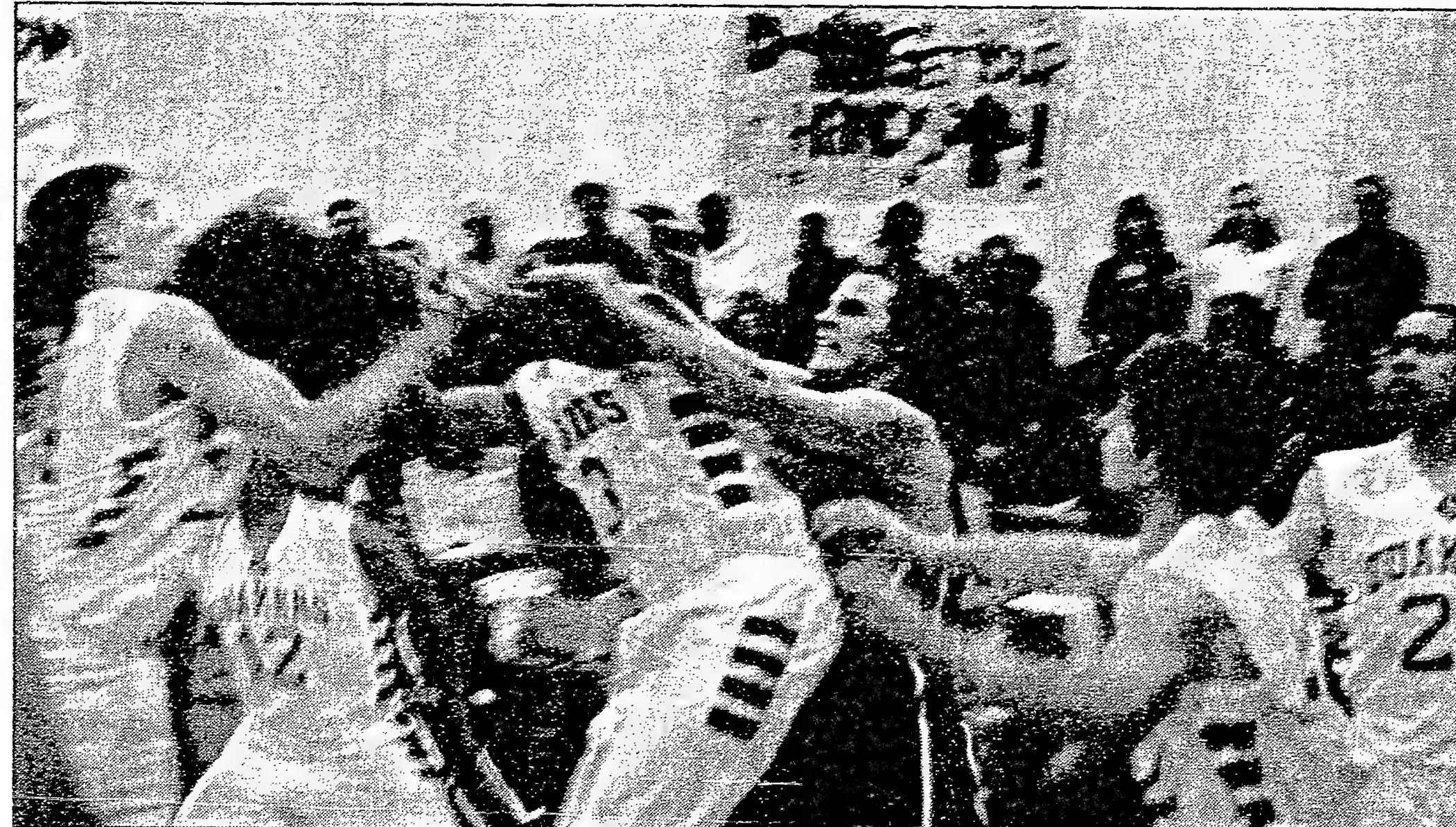
"I shot good," he said. "I was pumped up to play the old school."

Johnson's 32 points comes on the tail end of a week of stellar accomplishments including two 28-game against Canevin and Monaca.

Courneen scored 16 points for the Quakers Saturday and Bradford followed with 15 points.

Panthers' inside man, George Raftis, senior, scored 15 points.

The Academy, which has suffered through a roster shake-up this year, cruises along at 4-2, 6-8 after a 45-41 loss to Cornell Friday night.



QUAKER VALLEY boys (14-1) struggle for possession Saturday night during a high-energy rivalry match against Section 1-A Sewickley Academy. The Quakers defeated the Panthers 83-61 with junior Amir Johnson, number 3 above, leading the team with a season-high 32 points.

Photo by Jon Paul Creese

Johnson leading 14-1 Quakers in points and prestige

By Jon Paul Creese

Sports editor

The name Amir Johnson is quickly becoming legendary.

At Quaker Valley, it is synonymous with leader, competitor and champion.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Though QV (14-1) has a lion's share of talent this year, during varsity games, such as Saturday night's high-energy scrap against Sewickley Academy, Johnson's leadership role is evident. His finesse is unparalleled.

And his stats speak for themselves. Johnson, Sewickley Herald's Athlete of the Week, scored 32 points against his former alma mater Saturday. He transferred to QV this year.

It's clear Johnson has a knack for the net, but what may not be evident is his propensity for keeping others from achieving similar scoreboard success.

Head Coach Tom Demko explains:



Amir Johnson

- School: Quaker Valley
- Class: Junior
- Sport: Basketball
- Accomplishment: Johnson scored a total of 118 points in four games last week including a season-high 32 points Saturday night against former alma mater Sewickley Academy. He is a team leader and solid defender, boasting 4 to 5 steals a game.

"Amir is a special player. Obviously he can score," he said.

"He is a solid point guard and a good leader on the floor."

"What I want people to understand as his head coach," he continued, "is the best part about his game is his defense."

"Amir locks up his opponent," Demko explained. "His D sparks the

entire team. He gets 4 to 5 steals a game, and that gets us rolling."

There are few numbers that express true defensive talent, but Johnson's figures on offense are impressive, to say the least.

He scored a total of 118 points in four games last week, with a season high against the Academy.

Johnson also had a triple double in a

game against section rival Seton LaSalle during which he netted 10 of 10 free throws.

He hit three consecutive three pointers Saturday in the first period alone, boasting a total of four in the first and giving the Quakers the confidence to continue a ruthless onslaught against a formidable Sewickley Academy opponent.

"He's playing with a lot of confidence," Demko said. "He's our catalyst out there."

And calm is his nature.

Johnson was the Academy's high scorer last year against Bishop O'Reilly at the PIAA State Championship in Hershey, Pa.

He was one of the few Panthers who did not freeze up in the big game.

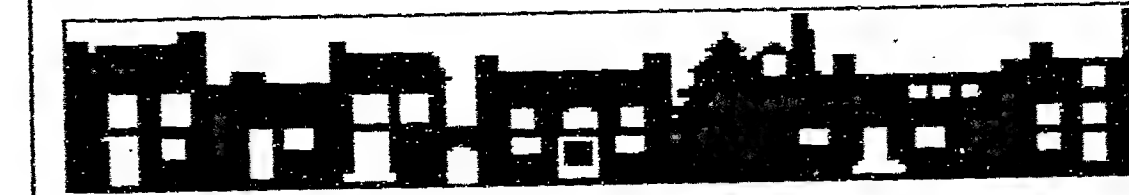
Johnson exudes that same composure in every game.

"We play together," he said of QV's success this year. "QV wasn't bad last year, they just weren't playing as a team."

"We're having fun and we're winning."



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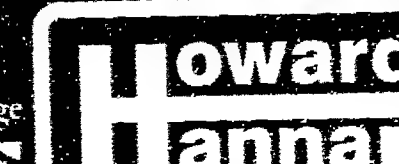


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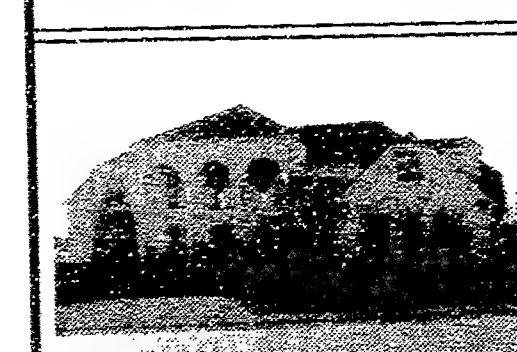
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\$599,900 Robin Ross

Stately Victorian with original woodwork, glass French doors, four decorative fireplaces, stunning entry w/paneled staircase, master w/private bath, finished 3rd floor gameroom, 2-car detached garage.

\$179,900 Tammy Sorco



Sewickley Real Estate

HOME OF THE WEEK

Victorian offers Village convenience

Visitors to this solid Victorian at 713 Harbaugh St. in the heart of the Village will be enchanted by the winter winds whistling by the brick construction, updated windows and genuine slate roof.

A three-car garage with alley-access will make any car buff happy.

The exterior also features a level, fenced yard with ornamental fishpond, and mural to view from the covered, screened rear deck. Enjoy outdoor dining or morning coffee while disappointing the insects!

An inviting covered front porch adds to the curb appeal of the home.

Inside, visitors will find gleaming hardwood floors, fireplaces in the formal living and dining rooms, and a bright kitchen with newer, easy-to-maintain vinyl flooring, spacious kitchen with pantry cupboard and a large breakfast area.

The second floor offers three bedrooms, including a master with walk-in closet and durable Berber carpeting.

The closet in the rear bedroom is equipped with plumbing for a possible second-floor laundry area.

The third floor can be used as a fourth bedroom with huge walk-in closet, but it would be a lot more fun to use it as a huge family room or possibly a tucked-away home office.

The basement is yet another pleasant surprise with new glass-block windows, newer furnace and central air conditioning.

There will be no worries over finding an open parking space or having change for the meter. Shops and services are an easy walk away.

For more information, or to arrange a personal tour of this home, call Dawnelle Shrawder at Coldwell Banker, 412-741-2550, Ext. 270.



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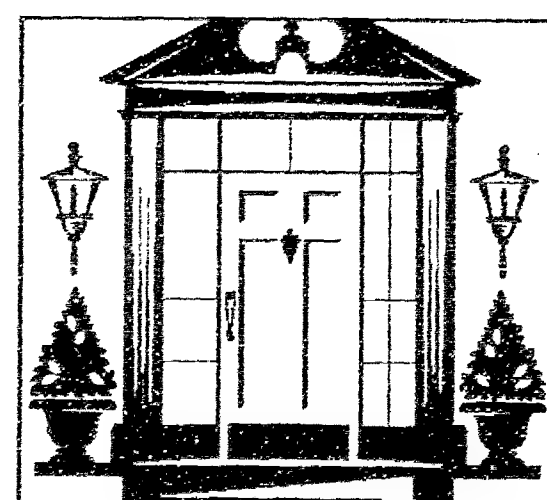
Masonic Village open house next week

The Masonic Village at Sewickley marketing staff invites anyone interested in learning more about the retirement living accommodations now available to attend an open house tour on Tuesday, Jan. 18, beginning at 10 a.m.

Attendees will have the opportunity to tour the clubhouse and various accommodations, ask questions of the marketing staff and enjoy refreshments.

For directions to the Masonic Village, 1000 Masonic Drive, or to schedule a personal appointment, call 412-741-1400, Ext. 3520.

Reservations are needed at Masonic Village by Friday, Jan. 14.



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SEWICKLEY

344 Centennial Avenue - Come out and visit this beautiful Village home which offers 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths plus a second floor laundry. There is a spacious living room, formal dining room and a well equipped kitchen. In addition, there is a lower level game room and den. Wonderful covered front porch and level lot. Central location. Dir: N. on Broad St. to R. on Centennial Ave. to home on R. **\$329,900.**

BELL ACRES BORO

"Charleston Square" - This wonderful new neighborhood is located just minutes from historic Sewickley Village and features expansive lots with 800' frontage and minimum of 2 acres. There are currently 2 model homes available and 3 homes are presently occupied. Several contracts are pending. Custom builders include Bachme Builders, William Minton and Sons and Hendolhurst, Inc. Blue Ribbon Quaker Valley Schools Dir: N. on Beaver Rd., R. on Campmeeting Rd. L. into Charleston Square.

SEWICKLEY

This charming three story home is conveniently located in the Village. Features of this home include 4 bedrooms, a large living room, formal dining room and updated kitchen. There are beautiful architectural details throughout. The huge, open third floor offers great light and is plumbed for an additional bath. **\$269,000.**

BELL ACRES

130 Summerville Dr. - Outstanding new construction ready to move-in! This well designed 4.5 bedroom home features the finest of amenities. There is a large, open kitchen with an eating area and adjoining family room with a fireplace. A wall of windows and doors lead to the deck and secluded rear yard. Lots of remarkable finish work in this home. Dir: N. on Beaver Rd., R. Campmeeting Rd. past Health South approx. 1.3 miles to L. into Summerville. **\$420,000.**

OSBORNE

1440 Beaver Rd. - This Grand Antebellum style home is situated on a park-like lot just outside the Village area. Features of this fine home include a large living room, formal dining room, formal dining room, a well equipped kitchen with a fireplace and a first floor den. There is a "shotgun" type entry hall, 19' ceilings, beautiful windows, original hardwood floors and fresh paint. Wonderful porches and a convenient location which offers seclusion. Dir. from the Village follow Beaver Rd. past Osborne Elem. School, R. on Lantern Ln. to end. **\$575,000.**

EDGEWORTH

This charming farmhouse style home is situated on a large lot with woods to the rear. Features of this home include 5 bedrooms and 3 full baths. There is a comfortable living room with a fireplace, formal dining room, updated eat-in kitchen, family room with a fireplace and a den on the main level. There is an inviting covered front porch and fenced rear yard. Integral garage. Call for additional information. **\$499,000.**

LEETSDALE

Bright and charming 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath brick Tudor with 1st flr. family room and e-i-k. Amenities include HW floors, arched doorways, corner built-ins and gas log FP. Enjoy large deck over garage. Great location near HS and shopping. Superb value for **\$215,000.**

OSBORNE

This intimate, private contemporary home is situated on a 3.5 +- acre lot with a stream providing a park-like setting. The home shows its quality throughout and features a log burning fireplace, skylights, 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths finished with marble and ceramic and includes a Jacuzzi, whirlpool, soaking tub. There is also a walk-in multiple head shower. The kitchen has been updated and features ceramic tile and granite counters. Integral garage. **\$279,000.**

BELL ACRES

This Colonial style home offers an excellent lifestyle. Among the many fine features of this home are a large living room, formal dining room, a new eat-in kitchen and a wonderful screened porch with a wonderful view of the golf course. In addition, there is a handsome family room with a fireplace and a lower level game room plus a home office. 2 car garage, and much more. **\$525,000.**

SEWICKLEY

This true Victorian gem offers a wonderful Village location. Features of this fine home include a spacious first floor with specialty stained glass adorning the living room and den. There are 7 bedrooms and a total of 4.5 baths in this wonderfully spacious home. 3 floors of endless possibilities. The large level lot is well over an acre. There is also a 3 car garage and carriage house. Easy access to Village shops and schools. Call for additional information. **\$875,000.**

LEET TOWNSHIP

"Quaker Heights" This home offers all the amenities sought by today's buyer. The main level offers a large living room, formal dining room, a new eat-in kitchen and a family room with a fireplace. There is also a powder room on the first floor. The second floor features 4 spacious bedrooms and 2 full baths. There is also a lower level game room with a fireplace. Recent updates include new windows, siding, roof and central air conditioning. The exterior features a large, covered deck, level fenced yard and beautiful landscaping. **\$315,000.**

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SEWICKLEY RIDGE

Upscale, 3 Bedrooms, finished lower level, sunny bright..vaulted master ceiling, Beau,Flrs., great deck and walk out w/view **\$315,000.**

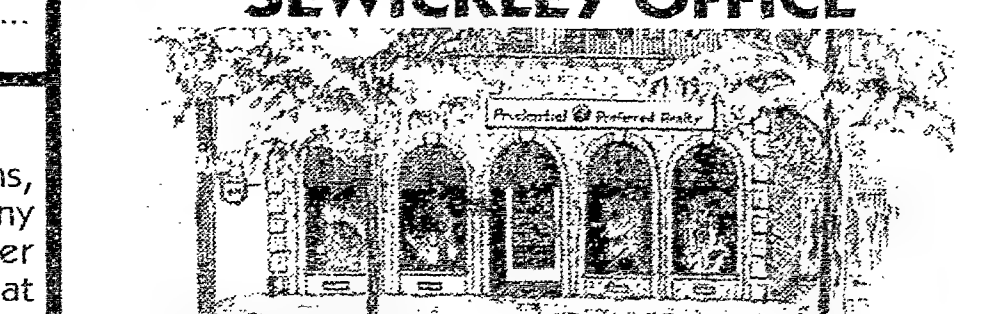
SEWICKLEY HEIGHT MANOR

3 Bedroom, end unit, 2 car, fireplace, private patio, wall opened to hall, new kitchen, new carpet **\$144,000.**

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Outstanding Custom Design - walk to Village. This 4 bedroom, 3 full baths and 1 powder room, has open floor plan, large bright rooms. Custom kitchen with granite countertops, laundry room on main level. Family room and lower level game room, 3 car garage. **\$725,000.** Call Judie Vescio for appointment. 412-741-6312 X215

LEET TOWNSHIP

Custom built beauty - Well maintained Brick Tudor - 4 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage. Updated Cherry kitchen with breakfast room, lower level game room. New deck and exterior wall with pillars. Price to sell: **\$279,000.** Call Judie Vescio for appointment. 412-741-6312 X215

EDGEWORTH

Fantastic family home, oversized level lot. Large formal rooms, new furnace and central air. 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, updated kitchen and baths. Maple Lane area, walk to schools and shopping. Large front porch and 2 car detached garage. Price: **\$785,000.** Call Judie Vescio for appointment. 412-741-6312 X215



Sewickley Real Estate

Who's buying, who's selling

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Cynthia Hockenberger sold property at 103 Little Glen Drive to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota NA trustee for \$17,354.

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota trustee sold property at 103 Little Glen Drive to William Stevens for \$115,000.

Leet

Ludmila Mackanych sold property at 208 Kenney Drive to Robert and Jeanne

MARKET WATCH

Persuit for \$155,070.

William Runyan sold property at 107 Priscilla Drive to Rebecca Hulme for \$160,000.

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Randolph Eddy Jr. sold property at

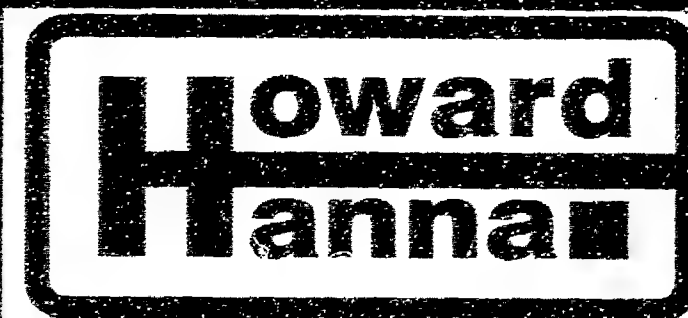
130 Centennial Ave. to Richard and Susan Alexandra Cox for \$635,000.

Elizabeth Bennett sold property at 614 Mulberry St. to Ernestine Lander for \$175,000.

Sewickley Hills

Village at Sewickley Hills LLC sold property at Kilbuck Run Road to Ohio Township Sanitary Authority for \$15,000.

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THE RIDGE Amazing new construction in one of our nice neighborhoods. Four bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Main level formal living room and dining room with white equipped kitchen. First floor master bedroom suite, den and great room with fireplace. Lower level game room with wet bar. Neutral decor and great landscaping. Two-car garage. The best in maintenance free living. Betty Moraca 412-741-2200 \$264,500	1461 BEAVER ROAD OPEN SUN 1-4 Great restoration of a historic Village farmhouse. Open stair center hall entry, formal dining room with built-in corner cupboard and new wainscot. Welcoming living room with adjacent new tiled floor room with fireplace and unique spring house. New cherry kitchen with new stainless steel stove, microwave and dishwasher joining the breakfast room. Huge windows capture the panoramic Ohio River views. Broad porches and separate studio building. New driveway and more. Call today. Meagan Moore 412-741-2200 \$299,900	SPACIOUS RANCH JUST LISTED Experience the convenience of one-level living in the heart of Edgeworth. This brick ranch features an entry, formal living room with hardwood floors and a fireplace, spacious dining room with hardwood floors, four generous bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Large basement with a garage. Table-top lot affording a wonderful front and rear yard. A wonderful location, close to everything in the village. Betty Moraca 412-741-2200 \$349,500
706 HARMONY ROAD TV OPEN SUN 1-4 Conveniently located on eight plus acres this two-story, partially stone, cottage offers wonderful amenities. Recently renovated with an entry to the light flooded living room with a fireplace and hardwood floors, formal dining room with hardwood floors and beautiful view of the grounds, a new kitchen with breakfast area, and a den round out the main level. Four bedrooms and 1.5 bathrooms. Garage and beautiful, mature grounds. Enjoy the peace of the countryside while living within minutes of I-79, I-279 and Sewickley village. Call today for all the details. Betty Moraca 412-741-2200 \$399,500	BLACKBURN HEIGHTS NEW PRICE Pristine all brick Colonial in Blackburn Heights with grand proportion entry, living room and dining room with hardwood floors, equipped center island, eat-in kitchen, and adjacent family room with fireplace. Finished walk-out lower level game room with a fireplace and full bath. Four bedrooms and a total of 4.5 bathrooms and a second floor laundry. A great deck and yard complete this property. Call today for all the details. Kathe Barge 412-741-2200 \$475,000	209 NEW ENGLAND PLACE OPEN SUN 1-4 A beautiful Colonial in the heart of Edgeworth on a cul-de-sac. Formal living room with fireplace and dining room. Tremendous vaulted ceiling great room with a stone fireplace and floor to ceiling bookcases. Game room with fireplace. Four bedrooms and three full baths. Level, fenced lot convenient to schools and all Village amenities. Current owner built this home nearly 45 years ago and has maintained and updated it. Call today! Linda Taylor 412-741-2200 \$499,900
1300 BEAVER STREET OPEN SUN 1-4 Stately restored and updated three-story brick center hall colonial in the heart of Osborn. Grand foyer with gleaming hardwood floors and beautiful open stair to the third floor. New professional stainless steel and granite center island kitchen, adjacent to the butlers pantry. Generous dining room with fireplace, built-in bookcases and French door to the covered porch. Bright formal dining room and new powder room. Up to six bedrooms including the master bedroom with a bright family room sitting room and private bath. Three full baths including two new bathrooms plus a new powder room. A wonderful setting within walking distance to the Village and schools. Call for all the details. Kay Caravaggio 412-741-2200 \$679,000	SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS RETREAT Beautifully sited, two-story brick home on 27 maturely treed and open acres in Sewickley Heights. Surrounded by priceless natural vistas, the casual comfort of this home boasts a vaulted great room with stone fireplace and grand windows as the central gathering place. A wonderful library and five spacious bedrooms, family kitchen and attached garage add to the amenities. Expertly engineered and maintained road culminates at the 2000s. Three stall horse barn on the property. Experience the solitude of this compound-like setting while taking advantage of the immediate access to the village, Pittsburgh and airport roads. A Halstead architectural design. Linda Taylor 412-741-2200 \$1,350,000	MAJESTIC SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS CHRISTIE'S GOLD ESTATE Superior brick Southern Colonial in an elegant Sewickley Heights setting on over six professionally landscaped acres. Grand center hall entry with sweeping stairway, graciously proportioned formal drawing room with adjacent sun room. Formal dining room, paneled library with fireplace and built-ins and main level guest suite. Spectacular new gourmet pantry and center island kitchen adjacent to the towering two plus story family room and loft. Six bedrooms, seven bathrooms and two powder rooms. A Halstead architectural design. Betty Moraca 412-741-2200 \$2,850,000

GOOD SEASONS



MEMBERS OF the Village Garden Club of Sewickley and their guests kicked-off the holiday season at their Christmas Tea and Silent Auction held early last month at the home of Elsie Keely. The traditional tea was prepared by hostesses Lisa Burrows, Suzy Morgan, Kathleen Wycoff, Joan Fisher, Margaret Bennett and Mandy Ticknor. A variety of holiday greenery arrangements and forced bulbs made at workshops organized by Flower Arranging Chair Pat Casella and Horticulture Chair Ann Coburn were offered for auction. Susan Holton organized the auction, which raised funds to support club activities. The Village Garden Club of Sewickley is a member of the Garden Club of America.

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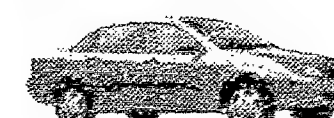


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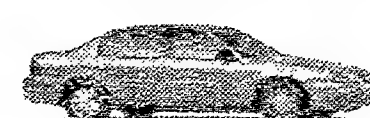
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Notice is hereby given that the Edgeworth Zoning Hearing Board ("Board") will conduct public hearings on Wednesday, January 26, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Edgeworth Borough Building, 301 Beaver Road, Edgeworth, PA 15143 concerning the following matters:

- At 7:30 p.m. the Board will consider a request by John Burgy and Louis Dell'Aquila for a variance from Section 130-56(1) of Chapter 130 of the Code of the Borough of Edgeworth (the Code), as amended, concerning the requirement that all parking areas must be surfaced with asphalt or concrete and gravel will not be acceptable in the C-1 zoning district.
- At 7:45 p.m. the Board will re-open the hearing on the request of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vankirk of 601 Academy Avenue for a variance from Article V, Section 130-21(B) of Chapter 130 of the Code concerning minimum side yard setback in the R-2 zoning district.

Plans and other documents that have been filed with the Board concerning the above may be reviewed by any interested party during regular business hours at the Borough Office, 301 Beaver Road, Edgeworth, PA 15143

Martin C. McDaniel
Borough Manager/Zoning Officer

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NORTH FAYETTE TOWNSHIP

TAKE NOTICE, that the Board of Supervisors at its meeting scheduled to be held on January 25, 2005 at 7:30 P.M. at the Township Building, 400 North Branch Road, Oakdale, PA 15071 will consider and vote on the ordinance described below. This ordinance had originally been scheduled for action on January 11, 2005.

THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH FAYETTE

ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH FAYETTE, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 344, IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THE TOWNSHIP'S CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS FOR DRIVEWAYS, ROADS, PARKING AREAS, AND STREET DESIGN STANDARDS IN THE TOWNSHIP, AND AUTHORIZING FURTHER AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS BY RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Robert T. Grimm
Township Manager

BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough of Sewickley Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 17, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Municipal Building, 601 Thorn Street, Sewickley, Pennsylvania for the following:

The consideration of an amendment change to the Borough of Sewickley Ordinances. The proposed change is to create an ordinance of the Borough of Sewickley, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, establishing stormwater management rules and regulations.

Copies of these plans will be available for public review in the Borough Manager's office from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Borough of Sewickley
Kevin M. Flannery
Borough Manager/Secretary

(869 1-5, 1-12-05, 2T)

FINDLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2005 MEETING SCHEDULE

The Findlay Township Board of Supervisors will hold meetings during the year 2005 in accordance with the following:

- * Caucus meetings - First Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
- * Regular meetings - Second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
- * Workshop meetings - Fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

All meetings will be held at the Findlay Township Municipal Building, 1271 Route 30, Clinton, PA. The facility is wheelchair accessible.

Cheryl L. Rinehart, Secretary

(892 1-12-05, 1T)

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ALEPPA TOWNSHIP

AUTHORITY

MEETING SCHEDULE 2005

The regular monthly meetings of the Aleppa Township Authority will be held at 7:30 P.M., prevailing time, in the Aleppa Township Municipal Building, 100 North Drive, on the following dates in 2005. These meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of each month.

January 25	July 26
February 22	August 23
March 22	September 27
April 26	October 25
May 24	November 22
June 28	December 27

Mary B. Tucci, Secretary

OSBORNE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

The Osborne Borough Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, January 26, 2005

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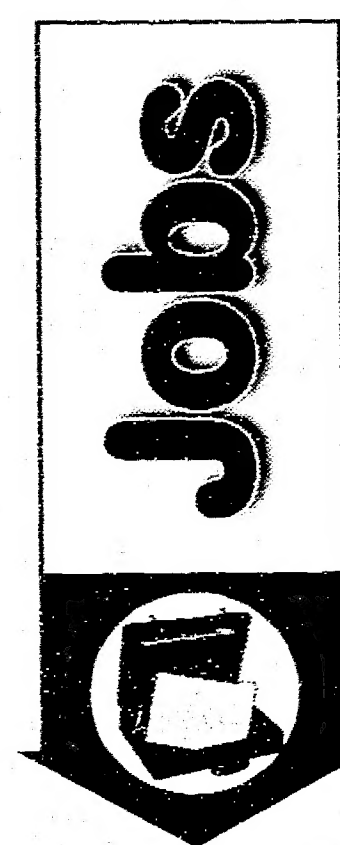
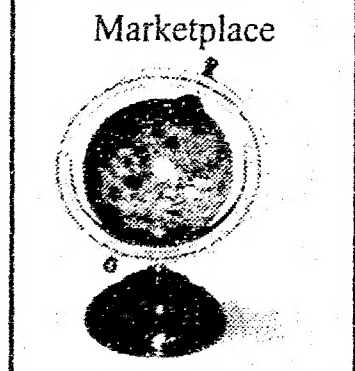
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY REGIS J. SCHNIPPERT, ATTY., 4 W. Manila Ave., Pgh. PA 15220. Notice is hereby given that a Certificate of Organization was filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on December 17, 2004, for a limited liability company formed under the Limited Liability Company Law of 1994. The name of the company is VAS CONSTRUCTION, LLC

(893 1-12-05, 1T)

THE REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE WESTERN ALLEGHENY COUNTY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE AUTHORITY BUILDING, 403 VIRGINIA DRIVE, OAKDALE, PA 15071.

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